WASHINGTON (R) - An Arab-American group has launched a campaign to have Israel's top military attache expelled from the United States, accusing him of complicity in the Beirut massacre in 1982. Amos Yaron, an Israeli major-general who heads his country's military mission here, is the target of the drive by the Arab-American Anti-Defamation League which accuses him of overseeing the 1982 massacre at the west Beirut refugee camps that left hundreds dead and wounded. "He oversaw the massacre," says Faris Bouhafa, spokesman for the league. "It's that simple. In 1982, he was the officer in charge of western Beirut. He provided the flares, some of the equipment. He allowed the Falangists to all the innocent men, women and children." An Israeli government investigation cleared Yaron of complicity but concluded that he and other Israeli officials were negligent in not stopping the Falangists from the slaughter. Yaron was stripped of his field command and assigned to

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ARIS (R) — France reassured aq on Friday that its policy of upport was unchanged despite

loves to improve ties with Iran.
Foreign Ministry spokesman

id the assurance was given by a mor ministry official during a

eeting in Paris with Iraqi mbassador Abdul Razak Al

ashemi. An Iraqi newspaper, in clear criticism of France's di-

omatic swap with Iran following

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NITED NATIONS (USIA) -

S. Ambassador Vernon Wal-

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ARIS (R) - Outlawed Muslim

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carry out promised reforms

d release scores of political

isoners. A Paris spokesman for banned Islamic Tendency

ovement (MTI) said President

ne Al Abidine Ibn Ali, hailed

a moderate when he overthrew

shib Bourguiba, had no more

in six months to prove himself

coming to terms with the MTI.

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predecessor's hardline policies

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credibility with the people.

abib Mokni told Reuters in an

rerview. "Tunisia is a Muslim

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i to come to terms with us."

DON (AP) — Palestinian oup led by Abu Nidal said iday that an investigation of

the Europeans seized aboard a chi last month has been com-

ested and noted: "There will be surprise soon." Walid Khaled, a

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aborate when he spoke to re-erters in Sidon. But he said the

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tht, five Belgians and three such people, when the guerril-

seized a boat off the Israeli-

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RIS (R) - Kremlin number

D Yegor Ligachev, often seen the West as head of a conserva-

e faction stalling the reforms of viet leader Mikhail Gor-

they, has denied any conflict th the party leader. "I know

at you write about me," Mr.

rachev, who is in charge of

ology, said in an interview th Le Monde newspaper on

sursday. "But I want to tell

u: Gorbachev and myself work

gether in a very friendly way.

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AMMAN, SATURDAY DECEMBER 5, 1987, RABIA AL THANI 14, 1408

Joint committee concludes Cairo meeting with agreement to boost cooperation in all aspects

### Jordan and Egypt to sign barter trade agreement

By a Jordan Times Staff writer

THE JOINT Jordanian-Egyptian Higher Committee ended a two-day meeting in Cairo on Friday and agreed to sign a barter trade agreement later this month.

A statement issued in Cairo after the meeting of the committee said the agreement would be signed in Amman in the second half of December by a joint commercial committee. No figures were mentioned.

Under the barter deal Jordan would mainly get ammonium, ammonia nitrate, rice and cotton and Egypt would in turn get cement, raw materials for detergents, wool and glass, Reuter said in a dispatch from Cairo.

Egypt's Middle East News be the basis for the exchange of ni Mubarak.

Jordan News Agency, Petra, the committee said Jordan and Egypt expressed keen interest in enhancing brotherly ties in all fields and in the context of complete bilateral coordination and coop-

The statement said the committee noted the close ties of cooperation between Jordan and Egypt and said solid foundations of cooperation had been laid down by His Majesty King Hus-Agency said world prices would sein and Egyptian President Hos-

mittee's meetings, Prime Minister Zaid Rifai and his Egyptian counterpart Atef Sedki signed the minutes of the meeting. The minutes said that both sides had approved the programme of cooperation and coordination in the fields of economy, trade, agri-In a statement carried by the culture, information, tourism. health, labour, transport, communications, higher education, energy, electricity, mining and planning.

At the conclusion of the com-

The committee also recommended that Jordan, Egypt and Iraq hold consultations on prospects for setting up a new joint company for land transport following the formal establishment of the Arab Maritime Bridge Company earlier this week. The committee further agreed

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#### Iraqis keep up raids on Iran's shipping; U.N. talks seen to have made no progress Rafsanjani threatens Kuwait over barge in Gulf

BAGHDAD (Agencies) — Iraqi wounded another 143 in their first major attack in the southern part target — Baghdad's usual term of the oil-rich Khuzestan profor a tanker or cargo ship - off the Iranian coast on Friday,

Baghdad Radio said. An Iraqi military spokesman, quoted by the radio, said the aircraft scored an accurate and effective hit at 0710 a.m. (0410 GMT) before returning safely to

Iraq has reported attacks on more than 20 vessels in the past month. Shipping sources have

been able to confirm only some of On Thursday, the sources confirmed Iraqi strikes on two supertankers taking part in Iran's oil

shuttle in the past six days.

In other development, anti-govemment guerrillas claimed they

killed 80 Iranian soldiers and

In New York, Iran reiterated it would not agree to a ceasefire in the seven-year-old conflict until the United Nations branded Iraq "the aggressor." Iran has warned Kuwait not to

allow U.S. forces to moor a barge the emirate's waters and threatened to capture it if deployed, the official news agency reported Friday.

Despite statements by American officials that Kuwait agreed to allow the use of such a barge. Kuwait again reiterated it would not grant military facilities to foreign powers in its waters.

"If you give them floating bases, you must give us one, too," the Islamic Republic News

saying Thursday at a "buge" gathering of war volunteers.

U.S. Defence Department offi-Brussels that Washington and Kuwait had agreed to use a barge in Kuwaiti territorial waters as a

But on Thursday, Defence Minister Sheikh Salem Al Sabah restated Kuwait's policy of not allowing such facilities.

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### **Aziz praises contacts** between Iraq and Syria

BEIRUT (Agencies) — Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz said on Friday that recent contacts between Baghdad and Damascus were constructive and he predicted Syria's relationship with Iran would not last much longer. Interviewed by Beirut's Voice

of Lebanon radio station, Mr. Aziz said Syrian President Hafez Al Assad and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had an objective and constructive talk at the Arab summit in Amman last month. We considered the atmos-

phere as positive and heralding a new style in treating inter-Arab issues," Mr. Aziz said in

Mr. Aziz praised Syria for agreeing to a resolution at Amman that condemned Iran for its occupation of Iraqi land, its missile attacks on Kuwait and refusal to accept United Nations cease-

mate and short-lived because their motives are temporary." Mr. Aziz also said there were links between Iran and Israel that

started in Lebanon and both states "have interests in dividing the Arab states on sectarian and

not the Arab World.

Al Ahram that Israel's nuclear weapons were an American reply to Moscow for supporting Cuba close to the United States.

against Arab countries and could (Israel's) own safety." King Has-

san said. Israel does not admit to having nuclear weapons.

had chosen Israel as its Cubanstyle state because of U.S. differences with the Arab World over fire demands.

and Iran were "illogical, illegiti-

## nuclear threat to Arabs

Morocco said in a newspaper interview published on Friday that Israeli nuclear warheads threatened the Soviet Union and

The king told the semi-official

"I do not fear Israeli nuclear warheads... they are not directed not be used in the region without to a large extent endangering

King Hassan said Washington

He said relations between Syria

religious basis."

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# Hassan II: Israel is not a

CAIRO (R) - King Hassan of the Palestinian problem. He welcomed proposals for a Middle East peace conference but said he did not believe it would achieve anything if Arab states failed to adopt a joint and unified strategy

The king said he had no new initiatives to revive the peace process but he advised Arab parties closely involved — Jordan, Syria and the Palestinians - to find even an interim joint formula

and to shelve their differences On the Iran-Iraq war, King Hassan proposed an Islamic conference to examine all origins of the conflict.

I still hope for an Islamic summit, which might not solve the problem, but might build bridges and differentiate between the religious and the political aspects of the war," he said.

Agency quoted Parliament Speaker Hashemi Rafsanjani as

"Otherwise if we seize this base one day in case of a confrontation, you would have no claim

cials said earlier this week in floating base for American

"Kuwait will not sign any agreement with any party that grants bases or military facilities

#### EEC summit opens in Copenhagen with focus on cash crisis

COPENHAGEN (Agencies) Leaders of the European Econo-mic Community (EEC) began a key summit Friday, knowing that failure to solve a cash crisis will bankrupt the giant trading bloc and wither its influence as the superpowers meet.

The leaders are also to discuss East-West relations in light of Soviet moves toward more openness, the Iran-Iraq war and "ter-

The summit launched straight into a debate on agriculture, the most divisive issue in their efforts to solve the EEC's financial

Officials said there was a little movement from Britain and West Germany but nowhere near enough to close the yawning gap between them on how to control runaway farm spending.

"I'd say every country has pretty well stuck to its position," one minister told reporters.

The 12 member states know that the money to fund the community will run out next year unless a deal is struck and are keen to show Europe in a good light before next week's U.S. Soviet summit.

Diplomats said that as he opened the meeting - held in a converted warehouse by Copenhagen's old harbour 🗕 Danish Prime Minister Poul Schlueter told his colleagues: "Now is the time to decide."

#### Qasem briefs | Mubarak sends messages on Mideast Belgian and **Dutch leaders** on results of Arab summit

BRUSSELS (Petra) — Royal Court Chief Marwan Al Qasem on Thursday briefed Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens on the outcome of the Nov. 8-11 extraordinary Arab summit in Amman and the efforts which His Majesty King Hussein exerted during the summit to ensure its success and to come up with

positive decisions. Mr. Qasem also explained the situation in the region in general and in the Gulf in particular and the grave consequences of Iran's escalation of its war against Iraq and neighbouring countries and stressed the need for ending the war in accordance with U.N. Security Council Resolution 598.

He also explained the latest developments and difficulties in efforts 'owards convening an international peace conference on the Middle East.

The Royal Court chief voiced Jordan's thanks and appreciation of the European stand in support of the idea of convening an international conference.

Mr. Qasem also expressed hope that the European summit, which opened in Copenhagen on Friday, would discuss the Middle East issue and called on Europe to continue its efforts and endeavours towards realising the goal of convening the proposed international peace conference.

Mr. Martens asked Mr. Qasem to convey the greetings of King Baudouin to His Majesty and expressed deep admiration of the balanced role and wise and real (Continued on page 3)

consider ways of promoting Israeli conflict and the Iran-Iraq Washington, D.C.

Price Jordan 100 fils; Syria I pound; Lebanon I pound; Saudi Arabia 1.50 riyals; UAE 1.50 dirhams; Great Britain 25 pence

and Gulf to Reagan and Gorbachev

The Israeli foreign minister, Shimon Peres, said Friday that

Mr. Peres has promoted a nonactivist peace policy, indicated satisfaction that the Arab-Israeli conflict is not at the top of the agenda, either in the Middle East or at the Dec. 7 summit in

The Israeli prime minister, Yit-

Mr. Shamir, speaking to the foreign press association on Thursday, said the summit could result in "an effort to do somethe U.S.-Soviet summit represents a "lost opportunity" for thing for furthering the peace achieving peace in the Middle process in our area.

Mr. Gorbachev had become so "But it depends on the success popular in the United States that of the more important issues that he no longer needed to make will be discussed during (the sumconcessions on issues like Middle mit) and also on the results of the East peace in order to improve elections in the United States and Israel (in 1988)." the climate for superpower talks. Mr. Peres said in an interview on Israel Radio.

While saying he was pleased about the prospects for a nuclear arms accord, Mr. Peres said he zhak Shamir, who in contrast to had mixed feelings about the summit because the chances appeared diminished for reviving Arab-Israeli dialogue.

"I look at this (summit) with a sort of double feeling ... I have a

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#### Israel stages army exercises against background of glider raid and fence clash

TEL AVIV (Agencies) — The the army has fallen dangerously. Israeli army said on Friday it The Israeli prime minister. Yitbrigade strength in southern Israel.

CAIRO (Agencies) - President

Hosni Mubarak has sent mes-

sages to U.S. President Ronald

Reagan and Soviet leader

Mikhail Gorbachev in connection

with their talks in Washington

next week, a Foreign Ministry

The official, who refused to be

named under ministry rules, told

reporters the messages "were del-

ivered in Cairo today" to the

embassies of the two superpowers

He gave no details of the con-

Government sources quoted by

AP said the messages urged:

Reagan and Mr. Gorbachev to

peaceful solutions to the Arab-

official said Friday.

for transmission.

Paratroops, tanks, artillery and aircraft took part in the manoeuvres which, in coordination with civilian settlements, tested response to surprise attack, an army spokesman said.

The drill came at a time of extensive self-examination for the army after a lone Palestinian commando last week flew across Israel's northern border on a powered hang-glider, entered an army camp and killed six soldiers before he was shot dead.

Subsequent investigations showed a lack of preparedness at the level of alertness throughout armed forces," an army spokes-

conducted overnight exercises at zhak Shamir, warned Thursday that commandos "will not be spared" for their role in the hangglider attack.

Mr. Shamir's comments came a day after the army took the rare step of calling for the prosecution of soldiers involved in a security lapse at the military post raided The army said interim reports

found that officers at the army camp did not respond properly to alerts that a guerrilla attack by air was imminent and a guard at the camp gate fled his post when the lone guerrilla attacked.

"The brigade commander... will be transferred from his post the camp, arousing concern that ... to a different post within the

"The brigade operations officer, who was the senior... commander in the camp during the incident will conclude his service... legal proceedings will be brought against him, legal proceedings will also be brought against the soldier who was guarding the camp entrance," the spokesman said.

Friday's exercise also came after an attack launched against Israel earlier this week from Egypt. Two guerrillas cut the border fence and opened fire at Israeli soldiers, slightly wounding one. It was the first attack since the 1979 Israeli-Egyptian treaty. There was no indication that

the exercise was in response to

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### Settler held for murder of Gaza schoolgirl

trates in the southern town of Ashkelon remanded in custody on Friday an Israeli settler from the occupied Gaza Strip who is suspected of shooting dead a teenage Palestinian girl last

Magistrates remanded Shimon Yifrah, 30, a schoolteacher and father of two girls, in custody for eight days. They acted after police ballistics experts said the bullet that killed 17-year-old Intissar Atar was almost certainly fired from Yifrah's pistol.

Three other settlers arrested with Yifran on Thursday in connection with the killing were released on bail of \$6,000 each. Police sources said they were expected to face charges of con-

cealing evidence. Miss Atar was killed on Nov. 10 outside a high school in Deir Al Balah in the Gaza Strip. Police said at the time that she was apparently shot when pupils blocked the road outside and

WASHINGTON (Agencies) —

The United States and the Soviet

Union have "a reasonably good

chance" to take "another gigantic

step forward in the elimination of

nuclear weapons" by concluding

a strategic arms agreement in

Moscow next year, President Ronald Reagan said Thursday.

from four U.S. television net-

works he would be "very dis-

appointed" if the Moscow sum-

The two sides hold out hope

that an agreement reducing their nuclear arsenals by half can be

signed at such a meeting between

Mr. Reagan and Soviet leader

The president and the Soviet

Communist Party general secret-

ary will attempt to narrow the

differences blocking agreement

on halving the number of

strategic weapons in their third

summit, in Washington Dec. 8-

10. In advance of that meeting.

Mr. Gorbachev had given a one-

mit does not take place.

Mikhail Gorbachev.

Mr. Reagan told commentators

Reagan sees 'good chance'

for strategic arms accord

Sources later said the girl's body was found inside the schoolyard, well away from the barricade. A teacher at the school told police that shots were fired into the yard.

Yifrah has taken part in a filmed re-enactment of the incident and police said he had admitted firing at crowd level to disperse pupils throwing stones. Sources said police had also identified a man suspected of shooting two Palestinian schoolgirls in Gaza City on Nov. 11 and

expected to arrest him shortly. In another incident, the Israeli army conducted an overnight raid on a university on Bethlehem, confiscating books and Palestinian flags, a school official and

military sources said Friday. The raid appeared to be part of recent army measures aimed at curbing Palestinian activists in Bethlehem before this month's Christmas celebrations, which are

hour interview to one major U.S.

television network. The president

was questioned for 30 minutes by

newscasters from the four major

networks. Mr. Reagan touched

on his view of the Iran-contra

scandal and the health of the

Mr. Reagan told a questioner

dollar, as well as summit topics.

he'd be "very disappointed" if

failure to reach a strategic arms

agreement meant that the Mos-

cow trip did not occur. "I just

don't think that's going to hap-

pen," he said. "I think that we're

going to have a meeting in Mos-

cow, and I think there is a reason-

bly good chance that we will

make another gigantic step for-ward in the elimination of nuclear

The president intends to sign at

the Washington summit an histor-

ic accord eliminating an entire

class of nuclear missiles, those

with ranges from 500 to 5,500

kilometres, and he defended that

decision against criticism from

Israeli authorities closed down the Vatican-sponsored Bethlehem University for three student protest in which a 22-

year-old student was shot to death by an army marksman. About 30 Israeli soldiers entered the hilltop campus late Wednesday night and searched classrooms until early Thursday, Brother Anton de Roeper, the deputy dean of the university.

told AP. "They apparently had a warrant which I could not read, since it was in Hebrew. They confiscated a number of books and, of course, Palestinian flags," he said

in a telephone interview. Brother de Roeper said soldiers also broke into the student council room after they could not

"It was my first experience of that sort," said the official, a British-born Roman Catholic week.

tourists and pilgrims to the who has lived on the premises since the summer of 1986.

In other incidents, a bomb exploded in an Israeli train travelling between Haifa and Tel Aviv months on Oct. 29 after a violent on Thursday, but a railway worker said no-one was hurt and only slight damage was caused. Police said the blast, in an

empty carriage, was presumed to be the work of Palestinian

In the occupied West Bank, an attacker hurled two bombs at a passing Israeli bus. One of the devices landed inside the bus, but neither exploded, sources said. Israeli military judges in the West Bank on Thursday found an Arab guilty of the 1985 killing of

a soldier, a court statement said. Ahmad Abu Jabar, 28, from the village of Kafr Kassem, was also convicted of shooting at an Israeli bus, illegally having explosives and belonging to Fateh, the

court said, He will be sentenced next

#### Japanese police seek to identify KAL suspect couple

after disembarking from a South Korean jet which disappeared near Burma on Sunday.

The couple, carrying false Japanese passports, tried to com-mit suicide on Tuesday while being questioned in Bahrain. The man died and the woman is in hospital under heavy guard, having regained consciousness. Mystery over the airliner's fate deepened after crew members who left the plane in Abu Dhabi

suspicious about the couple. A Japanese Foreign Ministry spokesman said copies of their fingerprints and passports arrived in Tokyo on Friday, giving authorities a chance to identify

said on Friday they found nothing

South Korean officials have said they believe the two were Korean residents of Japan connected to North Korea who might people in his own political party | have placed a bomb on the Ko-

TOKYO (Agencies) - Japanese rean Air Lines (KAL) flight bepolice began checking the finger-prints on Friday of a mystery couple who took poison capsules

fore getting off in Abu Dhabi.

The plane, with 115 people
aboard, has not been found but is believed to have crashed either in the Andaman Sea or in dense jungle near the Thai-Burmese

> Japanese officials have said the dead man in Bahrain could be a suspect in a 1985 North Korean spy ring case and his fingerprints should prove conclusively whether or not the two men are the same person.

But the Foreign Ministry spokesman declined to say when the results of the fingerprints check would be released.

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#### Lamis K. Andoni, page 5 IOC rules out changes in plans for Seoul Games.

Impact of interest rate cuts fades, page 7 Kampuchean rivals sign Loutline of peace plan, page

### Tehran says outlook for ties with France 'good'

On a \$1-billion loan owed to

Iran, Mr. Sheikholeslam rejected

what he called France's claim that

it need not pay interest on the

money because Iran's Muslim

faith banned the payment of in-

The agency quoted him as

Mr. Ahani denied what IRNA

saying receiving interest from

non-Muslims was religiously au-

called "rumours of the French arms sales to Iran," saying the

rumours stemmed from domestic

disputes between French political

France has been rocked by

allegations that some government

leaders, including a former Defence Minister, Charles Hernu.

were aware of the reported sales.

criticism of France over the Paris-

Tehran diplomatic swap follow-

ing the release of French hostages

We are unable to understand

the fact that those who claim to

fight terrorism and terrorists are

dealing with terrorists and signing open and secret deals with

them," said the ruling Baath Par-

ty newspaper Al Thawra, without

The French are among Bagh-

Al Thawra said Iran had em-

ployed terrorism and kidnapping

of hostages to impose conditions

and demands on certain parties to

improve its financial, political

Al Awsat newspaper has said.

The newspaper, quoting in-

formed Palestinian sources in

Beirut, said they had been in

It said the 150 were freed over

the past two weeks and the re-

maining prisoners were expected

to be released in the next few

weeks. The newspaper did not

say how many there were left.

his leadership.

"What does submission for

directly naming France.

and military situation.

dad's main arms suppliers.

Iraq on Thursday aired a rare

NICOSIA, Cyprus (Agencies) — Iran has denied that an Iranian interpreter was allowed to leave France only as part of a wider deal involving the release of two Frenchmen in Lebanon, the official news agency reported Friday.

this year.

thorised.

in Lebanon.

The Islamic Republic News countries broke relations earlier Agency (IRNA) quoted Ali Aha-ni, the Foreign Ministry's director-general for Europe and America, as calling such reports, "groundless."

Pro-franian kidnappers late last week released the two French newsmen in west Bejrut after saying they saw signs of improvements in France's policy.

French authorities on Sunday briefly questioned an Iranian embassy interpreter. Wahid Gordji, then allowed him to leave the country despite earlier allegations he was involved in ter-

For its part, Iran allowed French First Secretary Paul Torri to leave for home after an appearance before an Islamic tri-

There were widespread reports these moves were part of a deal. The Iranian agency, monitored in Nicosia, also quoted Deputy Foreign Minister Hussein Sheikholesiam as saying the out-look for relations with France was

'very good." He said "Iran will take a step to match every French step to improve bilateral relations.

Mr. Sheikholeslam, appearing with Ahani in an Iranian Television interview broadcast Thursday night and reported by IRNA, said the "war of the embassies" ended after "secret and direct

Mr. Sheikholeslam said Iran's negotiations with the French government were assisted by the mediation efforts of Syria, Pakistan and Algeria.

He said the Foreign Ministry would soon decide whether to maintain diplomats in Paris to handle Iran's affairs. The two

U.N. seeks

Lebanon

mediate assistance.

said in a statement

community.

\$85m aid for

UNITED NATIONS (R) — The

United Nations has launched an

international appeal for \$85 mil-

lion worth of food and other

supplies to help 250,000

Lebanese families in need of im-

the human misery facing the peo-ple of Lebanon," Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar

"I am deeply concerned about

The accelerated deterioration

of the economic and social situa-

tion throughout Lebanon war-

rants the solidarity and urgent

assistance of the international

"Aren't such deals an open encouragement for terror and ter-

It also asked: "Doesn't such an understanding by some, and submission for their blackmail, mean turning the world into injustice of

the jungle?' Both the United States and Britain have voiced fears that France compromised hopes of freeing more hostages in Lebanon by agreeing to deal with Iran, which they suspect of controlling the hostages' fate.

Prime Minister Jacques Chirac, seeking a vote of confidence from the French parliament on Thursday, said he would spare no effort to free more hostages held in Lebanon, including those of other nationalities.

Mr. Chirac referred to the hostages issue while opening a debate on the confidence vote.

Political analysts said Mr. Chirac was certain to win the vote of confidence on his economic and other policies, his third since he took power in March, 1986.

"No one should doubt our will to continue our efforts to free our kidnapped compatriots as well as the foreign hostages held in Lebanon," Mr. Chirac said.

It was the first time the conservative leader has spelled out that France, which is seeking to improve relations with Iran, could try to secure the release of

non-French hostages.
Political sources said Mr. Chirac sought the confidence vote to discipline his fractious coalition partners and demonstrate his support ahead of the European Community summit opening in Copenhagen on Friday, at which tough talking is expected on

several issues. British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, accusing France of "treating with terrorism", has

#### open Iranian blackmail (mean) and how can we digest such a contradiction between allegation and practice...?" the newspaper issues in Copenhagen. Syria said to have freed 150

leased from prison 150 supporters and the Shi ite Amal militia in of Palestine Liberation Organisa-tion (PLO) Chairman Yasser underway to reopen the PLO Arafat, the Saudi-owned Asharq office in west Beirut, closed since the Israeli invasion of 1982. The office would be located on Corniche Al Mazraa, it said. The last hurdles in efforts to Syrian jails since Mr. Arafat was repair relations were overcome in expelled from Tripoli in 1983 by the past two days, the newspaper

Palestinian factions opposed to said It said the parties had reached agreement on where to locate Palestinian fighters who had abandoned positions east of Sidon and in other areas.

In quoted PLO leaders in Tunis as saying the countdown had be-Asharq Al Awsat predicted an gun towards normalising relations improvement in coming days in with Syria.

### Shamir hints Awad will be expelled

TEL AVIV (AP) — Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has claimed a Palestinian advocate of non-violent resistance to Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip was allied with gunmen and hinted he would be expelled.

Shamir stressed that Mubarak Awad, a naturalised American who was born in Jerusalem, was in the country illegally because his tourist visa expired on Nov.

Shamir declined to say what action he would take or when it would be taken but suggested that Mr. Awad could be expelled or prevented from re-entering Israel if he travelled abroad.

"I can only say his stay in our country is illegal, and the result will be in accordance with it,' Shamir told a Foreign Press Association luncheon.

In his first detailed comments on the Awad case, Shamir said Mr. Awad identified with the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

In reaction, Mr. Awad confirmed he, like most other Palestinians, supported Yasser Arafat's PLO as the representative of the Palestinian people.
"I think even Shamir has to

realise Palestinians identify with the PLO as their representative. But this doesn't mean we have to agree with everything the PLO leaders do," he told the Associated Press.

Mr. Awad, 44, is the director of the Palestine centre for the Study of Non-Violence in Jerusalem and also has a counselling service for delinquent teen-agers in Wapakoneta, Ohio. He describes himself as an

adherent of the non-violent philosophy of the late Indian leader Mohandas K. Gandhi and the American civil rights leader Martin Luther King. Mr. Awad has won the backing

of the U.S. government.

Mr. Awad mapped out his beliefs in a position paper entitled "Non-violent resistance: A strategy for the occupied territories." In it, he proposes a cam-paign of civil disobedience and calls on the 1.4 million Palestinians in the occupied territories to refuse to pay taxes, to undermine the morale of Israeli soldiers, cut utility lines, and block the roads.

Shamir said Mr. Awad advocated "acts of sabotage" without using dynamite or killing people. "Therefore I would say his claim that he is for non-violent methods of struggle is only a

Arms dealer Sarkis Soghanalian and three other men are facon de parler (manner of speakcharged with conspiring to violate ing), and he belongs to all those a U.S. ban on arms sales to Iraq, elements who work against the said Ana Barnett, a spokeswell-being, security and stability woman for the federal prosecuof life in this part of the country,' tor's office here. said Shamir. Also indicted were Soghana-

#### Kuwait reopens missile-hit offshore oil terminal KUWAIT (Agencies) - Kuwait in one end of the central plat-

said on Thursday it had reopened form. its main Gulf oil-exporting terminal which was shut on Oct. 22 by a missile attack it blamed on

Defence Minister Sheikh at a normal rate. Salem Al Sabah told visiting British journalists the Sea Island terminal, 10 miles off the emirate's main oil port of Mina Al Ahmadi, reopened earlier this week.

Oil industry sources said two tankers loaded there on Monday for the first time since the missile strike. The terminal was then shut again while repairs continued but would reopen on Friday or Saturday.

Kuwait says Iran fired a Chinese-designed Silkworm missile at the terminal, which handled a third of the emirate's crude oil exports, as part of a series of strikes against oil targets off its

targets in response to the emirate's support for Iraq in the Gulf

The journalists visiting the terminal on Thursday found repairs still in progress and a jagged hole 200 kilometres away.

The sources said that although only three of the terminal's four loading arms were operational. loading could probably take place

The deep-water terminal accommodates larger tankers which can only partially load at Mina Al Ahmadi.

Sheikh Salem confirmed Kuwait had lent a barge to the U.S. navy for use as an observation post in international waters. He said the barge would be

moored 12 miles offshore, just outside the territorial limit, in the neutral zone whose oil is shared by Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. Its main function would be to monitor Iranian naval movements. Some 30 American warships

are in the region to protect Kuwaiti oil tankers flying the Stars and Stripes from Iranian

Iran has singled out Kuwaiti Diplomatic sources said the position of the barge would put it well outside the range of Iranian Silkworms fired from the occupied Iraqi Fao peninsula some

Iran on Thursday criticised the function is to divert the long-Kuwaiti move, warning of range anti-ship missiles from dangerous consequences.

Sheikh Salem also said Kuwait would decide in two to three weeks territorial waters near the At whether to buy new anti-missile systems. He said it was studying offers from Britain, France and the United States.

He also said Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) defence ministers meeting in Abu Dhabi last month had agreed on a timetable for joint military exercises codenamed "Peninsula Shield."

The GCC — which groups

Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain. Oatar, Oman and the United Arab Emirates — has formed a joint defence force based in northern Saudi Arabia.

Kuwaiti officials, seeking to protect their coastal oil terminal complex against Iranian missiles, have deployed several large barges in offshore waters with metal grids to "decoy" the radarguided projectiles, U.S. sources said Wednesday.

The sources, asking not to be identified, said there was no American military role connected from a U.S. Navy missile cruiser, with the barges and their only the Richmond K. Turner.

other targets.

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They are located in Kuwait's

Ahmadi terminal. In that respect they differ from two other barges that the United States has leased and anchored in international waters farther south along the coast, to serve as supply bases and helicopter platforms in the support of the navy's convoy op

The sources said Kuwait's antimissile barges were similar to those used by the Iranians to protect their own port of Bushehr, 225 kilometres away on the opposite side of the Guif. from the same type of attack: Iraqi warplanes regularly attack Iran's coastal shipping with French-made, radar-guided Exocet missiles.

The sources revealed that one of the Iranian barges broke loose from its moorings recently and drifted into international waters. where it was destroyed by gunfire

#### Pakistani army personnel Senate panel upholds ban on Stinger sales to Bahrain

WASHINGTON (R) - A Sen- Carlucci, Adm. William Crowe, ate committee, ignoring appeals from the Reagan administration. has upheld a ban on a planned sale of Stinger anti-aircraft missiles to Bahrain.

The vote in the Senate Appropriations Committee was 16-10.

The Reagan administration says Bahrain needs the missiles to defend itself against possible attacks by Iran, which has been at war with Iraq for seven years.

The Senate committee vote came on a measure that would have exempted Bahrain from a ban on Stinger sales to governments in the Gulf region.

The measure was proposed af-

on charges of plotting to smuggle

U.S. combat helicopters and

other weapons to Iraq, federal

Pat O'Brien, special agent in charge of the U.S. Customs Ser-

vice office in Miami, described

the alleged shipment as "the kind

of deal that changes the way a

prosecutors said on Thursday.

to ship helicopters to Iraq

chant of death" has been indicted Company.

MIAMI (R) — An international lian's son Garabet and two execu-

arms dealer nicknamed the "mer-tives of the Hughes Helicopter

chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Richard Armitage, assistant defence secretary for international security affairs.

The ban on Stinger sales in the Gulf is contained in a Foreign Aid Bill approved on Tuesday. White House spokesman Mar-

lin Fitzwater said on Wednesday Bahrain had provided extraordinary support for the U.S. escort of U.S.-flagged Kuwaiti tankers in the Gulf that began in July.

This support had made Bahrain "even more vulnerable to Iranian military threats," Mr. Fitzwater said. "The Stinger missile is precisely what Bahrain needs to fill ter the committee received an gaps in its defences against the hour-long closed-door briefing most likely threat, and no other from Defence Secretary Frank system can do the job as well." Arms dealer charged in plot

In a pair of indictments,

reputed to be one of the world's

wealthiest arms dealers, and his

son are accused of trying to ship

103 battle-ready Hughes 500-

MD/Tow helicopters to Iraq in

The helicopters were worth

The indictments also allege

that Soghanalian flew two U.S.

Air Force reservists to Irao in

1985 to instruct the Iraqi military

on how to fly an F-4 jet fighter

captured in Baghdad's war with

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some \$500 million.

#### returning from S. Arabia ISLAMABAD (R) — Several Saudi and Pakistan governments

thousand Pakistani military personnel seconded to Saudi Árabia are being sent home on completion of their assignments, a Pakistani Foreign Ministry spokesman

Answering questions at a news briefing, he said other Pakistani personnel would continue to serve in the kingdom, but declined to give details or specific "A few thousand are still there

and a few thousand have come back," he said. Pakistan has had a military

force, including instructors and trainers, on secondment to the Saudi Armed Forces for several

The official Saudi Press Agency (SPA), quoting Saudi defence sources, said on Wednesday "the return of Pakistani soldiers to of the agreement between the bouring Iran.

and on the completion of the task they came for - namely in the field of military and technical training. The SPA report, monitored in

Bahrain, said Saudi Arabia did not intend to replace the Pakistanis with troops from other na-The spokesman said there were

no differences between the two governments over the issue and the fact that Rivadh could do without them was a sign they had succeeded in their mission. "The best and most successful

of these foreign assistance programmes are when individuals render themselves dispensible," he

Pakistan is predominantly Sunni Muslim, like Saudi Arabia. But it has an estimated 15 per cent 1 their country comes on the expiry minority of Shi'ites, as in neigh-

#### U.S. orders closure of **Palestine Information Office**

(PIO) in Washington has been ordered to close by midnight Dec. 3, the United States has announced.

closed, finding that it had been operating as a "foreign mission" of the PLO" that coulc-be closed under the Foreign Missions Act. nisation (PLO). Initially, the PIO was given 30 days to wind PIO was given 30 days to will up its business and close down, ruling.

"I really have no information affects the the court to rule on the PIO as to how this appeal affects the claim that the State Department

WASHINGTON (USIA) — The order was unconstitutional, Palestine Information Office State Department spokesman

Charles Richey ruled on Dec. 2 that Secretary of State George

process," Mr. Redman saic

#### TV & RADIO

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PLO members from jail

BAHRAIN (R) - Syria has re- the PLO's relations with Syria

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**EXHIBITIONS** 

☆ "Documenta" — art exhibition at the Goethe Institute (until Dec. 23)

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MUSEUMS	

"Children's Heritage and Science Museum" Fun and knowledge for all ages, plus a small planetarium at the Haya Arts Centre. Open all week 9:00 a.m., -1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. 6:00

pm. Closed on Friday. Folklore Museum: Jewelry and costumes over 100 years old. Also mosaics from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre, Amman. Opening hours: 9.00 a.m.-5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 651760.

Jordan Archaeological Museum: Has an excellent collection of the antiquities of Jordan. Jabal Al Qa'a (Citadel Hill). Opening hours: 9.00 a.m., 5.00 p.m. (Fridays and official holidays 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.). Closed Tuesdays.

Jordan National Gallery: Contains a

# WHAT'S GOING ON collection of paintings, ceramics, and sculptures by contemporary Islamic artists from most of the Muslim countries and a collection of paintings by 19th Century orientailst artists. Muntazah, Jabal Luweibdeh. Opening hours: 10.00 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. and 3.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tel. 630128.

SERVICE CLUBS

The Amman Lions Club. Meetings every first and third Wednesday at the Regency Palace Hotel, 7:30 p.m. Lions Philadelphia Club. Meetings every second and fourth Wednesday at the Ammon Hotel, 7:30 p.m. Philadelphia Rotary Club. Meetings every Wednesday at the Holiday Inn. 1:30 p.m. Rotary Club. Meetings every Tuesday at the Intercontinental Hotel, 2:00 p.m.

p.m. Royal Automobile Club. Jabal Amman. Eighth Circle. Tel. 816534,

CHURCHES

St. Joseph Church (Roman Catholic) Jabal Amman, Tel. 624590. Church of the Annouciation (Roman Catholic) Jabal Luweibdeh, Tel. 637440.

De la Salle Church (Roman Catholic) Jabal Hussein, Tel. 661757. Terrasanta Church (Roman Catholic), Jabal Luweibdeh, mass in Italian Jan-

parate Lowerioten, mass in tranan ianguage, meet every Saturday at 5:30 p.m. Tel: 622366
Church of the Amunication (Greek Orthodox) Abdali, Tel. 623541, Anglican Church (Church of the Redeemer) Jabal Amunan, Tel. 625383, chaplain's residence tel. 601359, Amunican Cobbella Church Adme

Armenian Catholic Church Ashrafieh Tel. 771331.

Armenian Orthodox Church Ashrafich, Tel. 775261.

St. Ephraim Church (Syrian Orthodox) Ashrafich, Tel. 771751.

Amman International Church (Interdenominational): meets at Southern Baptist School in Shmeisani, Tel. 677534.

67/334. Evangelical Lutheran Church (Church of the Good Shepherd) Amman, Ara-bic Service: Sunday 7 p.m. Rev. N. Smir 811295).

Good Shepherd's Church)

Interdenominational-ecumenial English Service; Saturday 6:30 p.m. Tel. 822605. Rev. Veli. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormon) 815817, 821264

☆ An exhibition of watercolour paintings of Jordan and Egypt by Martin Savage at the Petra Bank Gallery — Wadi Saqra (until Nov. 30 to Dec. 5)

☆ An art exhibition by Bulgarian artist Stoyan Stoyanov at the Royal Cultural Centre (until Dec. 7).

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It will be partly cloudy to cloudy, with chances for scattered showers. Winds will be northwesterly moderate, and a drop in temperature is expected. In Aqaba, it will be partly cloudy, with northerly moderate winds and calm Deserts Yesterday's high temperatures: Amman 15, Aqaba 23. Humidity readings: Amman 77 per cent. Aqaba 45 per

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#### **Prince Hassan and Princess** Sarvath begin private visit

AMMAN (Petra) - Their Royal Highnesses Crown Prince Hassan and Princess Sarvath have begun a private visit to The Netherlands and Luxembourg expected to last

The Prince and Princess were seen off upon their departure by Chief Chamberlain Prince Ra'd Ibn Zaid, Chief Islamic Justice Mohammad Mheilan and several Royal Court officials.

#### Jordan and Spain exchange views on parliamentary affairs

MADRID (Petra) — A Jordanian parliamentary delegation currently on a visit to Spain held a meeting here with the foreign affairs committee of the Spanish Senate to discuss issues of common interest to the two countries.

The Jordanian delegation, led by Speaker of the Upper House of Parliament Ahmad Al Lawzi, exchanged views with the Spanish senators on the Arab-Israeli conflict, the Gulf war, the conflict in Lebanon and the outcome of the Amman extraordinary Arab

During the Thursday meeting. Mr. Lawzi paid tribute to Spain for its support for the convening of an international conference on peace in the Middle East. He also underlined the need for the U.N. Security Council to put an end to the Iran-iraq war.

Earlier, Mr. Lawzi and his accompanying delegation visited the Spanish Lower House of Parliament and met with representatives of various political parties. Mr. Lawzi said that a visit to

Jordan by the speaker of the Spanish Parliament would help to promote Jordanian-Spanish cooperation in parliamentary

The Jordanian delegation, which earlier conveyed a message to King Juan Carlos from His Majesty King Hussein, paid a visit to Madrid Municipality and met with the mayor and municipal council members.

Mr. Lawzi said that Jordan was hoping for a twinning between Amman and Madrid, in an effort to expand bilateral cooperation in municipal and public services.

#### Denmark to help Jordan build wind power station

AMMAN (J.T.) — Danish Minister of Energy Svend Erik Hovmand has left for home following a three-day visit to Jordan, during which he met with His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan and took part in a seminar on oil and future de-

velopment in the Arab World. In a statement upon his departure on Thursday, the Danish minister said his talks with Prince Hassan were constructive and fruitful, and that they covered all scopes of cooperation, particularly in agriculture, energy research

"Denmark and Jordan can forge productive cooperation in energy generation, especially in the exploitation of solar energy and wind power," Mr. Hovmand

He said that Denmark, which has advanced expertise and experience in these areas, would help Jordan build its first wind power station at Al Ibrahimieh. near Mazar in the north, in the first half of next year.

Mr. Hovmand said that this station would provide power to a model farm and, thus, replace imported energy sources.

#### 17-year-old student dies in school bus crash

school student died in an accident involving the school bus in which he was riding.

A report in the Arabic daily Al Ra'i said that the accident, which took place here on Thursday, involved a private vehicle and the

AMMAN (J.T.) - A 17-year-old school bus.

The collision between the two vehicles, which occurred at a junction in the Rabieh district of Shmeisani, caused the bus to overturn, resulting in the death of Zaid Ahmad Al Arabi and the injury of several other students.

#### Oasem meets Dutch, Belgian leaders

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diplomacy of the King. Earlier on Thursday Mr. Qasem met with Belgian Foreign Minister Leo Tindemans and briefed him the results of the Amman summit. Mr. Qasem and Mr. Tindemans also discussed the

grave situation in the Gulf, the Iranian buildup against Iraq and the necessity of holding an international peace conference on the Middle East. Mr. Qasem visited The Hague

earlier Thursday and met with Dutch Foreign Minister Hans Van der Broek and briefed him on positive outcome of the Arab summit

-Mr. Qasem reiterated Jordan's determination to continue efforts to end the Gulf war and convene an international peace conference on the Middle East.

country's appreciation of the poli-cies which Jordan was following under His Majesty the King and declared that The Netherland's policy in particular and Europe's policy in general were identical with Jordan's stand and its efforts to put an end to the Gulf war and to remove all obstacles impeding the holding of an international peace conference on the Arab-Israeli conflict.

In Tokyo, Japan's Prime Minister Noboro Takashita on Thursday, received a message from His Majesty in dealing with the outcome of the Amman summit.

The message was delivered Thursday by Foreign Minister Taher Al Masri, who earlier met with former Japanese prime minister Yasuhiro Nakasone and the leader of the Liberal Party, Shintaro Abe. Mr. Masri was expected to meet with his The Dutch minister voiced his Japanese counterpart on Friday.

#### Fraqis keep up raids on shipping

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on its territory or in its territorial waters," Sheikh Salem was quoted as saying by the Kuwait News Agency (KUNA).

The Mujahedeen-e-Khalq, the largest of the opposition groups fighting the government of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, said just five of its fighters were killed in the Khuzestan raid Wednesday.

The targets were army bases 80 kilometres southwest of the city of Ahvaz. The Iranian government did not comment on the

Mujahedeen's report. On Thursday, Iran reiterated it would not agree to a ceasefire until the United Nations branded Iraq "the aggressor."

Hran's deputy foreign minister. Mohammad Larijani, also said his country was proceeding with a huge troop buildup while talking peace at the United Nations.
"There is an unprecedented

mobilisation of forces in Iran. They are ready to act and they will act properly when it is needed," Mr. Larijani told reporters at a news conference.

The envoy spoke after two days of talks with U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar about ending the war. Diplomatic sources said Mr. Perez de Cuellar remained "frustrated" and "impatient" after the talks and said Iran had not shown any flexibility.

At a press conference, Mr. Larijani said that Iran still links the identification of Iraq as "the aggressor" with the ceasefire.

The ceasefire, he said, then would give "breathing space" for all other elements in Mr. Perez de Cuellar's peace plan to be worked out. This would include border negotiations, troop withdrawal, and, if still necessary, an inquiry into the start of the war.

The two major obstacles in the negotiations, Mr. Larijani said, are Iraq's insistence in "the sequential implementation of Resolution 598" and the continued massive presence of foreign military vessels in the Gulf.

Mr. Larijani described his U.N. talks as "serious, fruitful, and constructive."

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz is expected in New York for talks with Mr. Perez de Cuellar

### Jordan to mark Int'l Voluntary Day by honouring charitable individuals, societies

Cultural Centre to mark International Voluntary Day.

An official announcement said that eight pioneers in voluntary work in the Kingdom will be awarded royal medals in recognition of their efforts. In addition, 26 charitable societies will receive shields in recognition of their contribution of humanitarian services to the community, according to the announcement.

The Ministry of Labour and Social Development, in coopera-voluntary work has been opened

Pamphlets and posters highlighting voluntary and charitable work will be distributed by social and voluntary societies. The General Union of Volun-

tary Societies (GUVS) will supervise the activities programme throughout the country.

As part of the programme, a special camp for organising

AMMAN (J.T.) — A ceremony tion with the Noor Al Hussein in Ajloun district. Some 100 stuwill be held today at the Royal Foundation (NHF), has prepared dents from Yarmouk University a special programme for the and community colleges in the event, which will last four days. district are taking part in the activities through which the camp will provide services to the local community. These activities include: planting trees, removing waste from public places and trimming trees.

> An official opening ceremony for the camp was attended by Ajloun District Governor Mohammad Talhouni and other

#### Seminar to tackle food security in Muslim World

By a Reporter

AMMAN - A three-day seminar entitled on "food security in the Muslim World" will open here today under the patronage of His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan.

The seminar, which will open at the Royal Cultural Centre, is organised by the Islamic Academy of Sciences (IAS) of the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) Ministerial Standing Committee on Scientific and Technological Cooperation (COMSTECH). The academy comprises eminent Muslim scientists as its fellows.

The seminar was initiated upon the directives of Prince Hassan, who is patron of the academy jointly with President Zia Ul Haq of Pakistan, when he chaired the first meeting of the academy's

council last June.

Minister of Energy and the En-

vironment Birgitta Dahl has en-

ded a four-day visit to Jordan,

which the Swedish Ambassador

to Jordan, Lars Lonnback de-

scribed as an opportunity "for

excellent contacts" for bilateral,

as well as broader exchanges, in

the fields of energy; oil and the

Mrs. Dahl left Amman on

Thursday after taking part in a

seminar on prospects for oil and

future development in the Arab

World, which was organised by

the Ministry of Energy and

During the visit, Mrs. Dahl

also met with a number of senior

Earlier on Thursday, Mrs.

Dahl toured Al Shomari Wildlife

Reserve in Azraq, which is run by the Royal Society for the Con-

servation of Nature (RSCN). She

was accompanied on the tour by

Minister of Municipal and Rural

Affairs and the Environment

RSCN President Anis Muasher

explained the society's develop-

Yousef Hamdan Al Jaber.

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Mineral Resources.

the food security issue in the Muslim World from a multidisciplinary approach.

The papers cover four major areas relevant to the constraints of food availability in the Muslim World. These areas are:

- Scientific and technological approaches required to increase the production of food.

- Problems of nutrition and the proper utilisation of food elements to provide a balanced diet. Possibilities of enhancing direct trade of food commodities among Muslim countries.

- Case studies exposing the experience of some Muslim countries in the field of food and agriculture Among those who will be parti-

cipating in the seminar are: the Malaysian minister of agriculture. the secretary of state for agriculture in Chad, the minister of social security and population Fourteen working papers will affairs in Chad, the advisor to can reach the widest possible be presented by top Muslim sci- prime minister on agriculture in audience.

AMMAN (J.T.) — Swedish ment, activities and goals, noting preservation of nature and energy

its efforts in the field of energy

The Swedish minister delivered

a speech during the visit, in which

she called for the exchange of

experiences between Jordan and

Sweden in environmental pre-

servation and stressed the need

for devising improved environ-

there were many similarities be-

tween Jordan and Sweden with

Mrs. Dahl also pointed out that

mental strategies worldwide.

entists and specialists, tackling Pakistan and the under secretary of the ministry of agriculture in Uganda.

In addition to the academy's founding fellows, delegations from Jordan, Gambia, Niger, Egypt, Kuwait, Senegal, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and the Islamic Development Bank (IDB) will be attending the seminar.

The seminar will be concluded with the issuance of a declaration on food and security, addressing Muslim leaders, policy-makers, planners, the scientific community and the public at large, with the objective of increasing awareness and pooling efforts to face up to the challenges of food security in the Muslim countries.

The Islamic Academy of Sciences will also publish the proceedings of the seminar in a book form and distribute it, so that it

Swedish minister ends visit described as opportunity for excellent contacts

> conservation. She also stressed the importance of international and regional cooperation in solving environmental problems worldwide. "Without realisation of the proper means for exploiting and dealing with nature, we cannot achieve social and economic development in any country," Mrs.

Dahl said. Mrs. Dahl also visited other wildlife reserves, in addition to regard to their policies on the Jerash and the Jordan Valley.

#### Sharif Zaid returns after U.S. visit

AMMAN (Petra) — Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief Field Marshal Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker returned to Amman on Thursday after a several-day official visit to the U.S. Sharif Zaid was received at the airport by Army Chief of Staff Lieutenant General Fathi Abu Taleb, his assistants and the armed forces inspector

#### Haj Hassan to attend Tunis meeting

AMMAN (Petra) - Minister of Labour and Social Development Khaled Al Haj Hassan will leave for Tunis on Sunday as the head of Jordan's delegation to the meetings of the Council of Arab Social Affairs Ministers, which will open there on Monday. Mr. Haj Hassan, who is also the president of the council's executive bureau, will submit a report on the bureau's achievements during the past year.

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### Conference urges increased economic ties between Arab and East European countries

By Najwa Najjar Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — Delegations which attended a conference on promoting economic and trade cooperation among Arab and East European countries began departing on Friday, after the conference issued a final communique with its recommendations.

The three-day conference, which reviewed the trends and developments in trade and economic cooperation among Arab countries and socialist countries in Eastern Europe, ended here Thursday, calling not only for increased interaction between the two sides, but diversification of trade, as well.

During the conference entitled Regional Colloquium for Arab Countries on Trade Promotion with Socialist Countries of Eastern Europe," participants repre-senting 21 Arab and East European countries shared their views on the present situation.

The participants represented chambers of commerce in Arab and Eastern Bloc countries, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UN-CTAD), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA), the Federation of Arab Chambers of Industry, Trade and Agriculture and the Federation of Jordanian Chambers of Commerce.

Most of the participants agreed with Said Guehria, senior economic affairs officer at UNCTAD, in his assessment of relations between the Arab and Eastern Bloc countries. According to Mr. Guehria, the Arab countries' trade relations with the socialist countries are not at an appropriate level, regardless of all the efforts made towards their advancement.

"Socialist countries have good diplomatic and political relations with most Arab countries, yet despite all efforts made at the inter-governmental level, export turnover remains negligible if all possibilities are taken into account," Mr. Guehria said, noting that the one-per cent export turnover with socialist countries only included four Arab countries strategy which is needed to pene-

- Iraq, Libya, Syria, and Egypt.
"The total trade of all developing countries with the socialist countries accounts for no more than seven to eight per cent, of which the Arab World makes up two-and-half per cent," he continued. "The Arab World's major, imports from the Eastern Bloc countries are machinery, equipment, and basic consumer commodities, such as meat and wheat. Socialist countries import

mostly oil and semi-manufactured and nonmanufactured products from the Arab World," according to Mr. Guehria.

Two main reasons behind the poor economic interaction between the Eastern Bloc and the Arab World were explored by the economists attending the sessions. Their conclusions were voiced by Mr. Guehria.

Firstly, Mr. Guehria noted that countries in the Arab World had the impression that socialist countries are not advanced in technical and industrial fields. "In some cases, this is true; but take, for example, advancements in chemistry in the Democratic German Republic and in computers in Bulgaria," Mr. Guehria said. He suggested that trade agents attend trade fairs to make comparisons and obtain accurate in-

formation about products. Although economic interacworld and the Eastern Bloc nations is at a minimal level, economic interaction between the Eastern Bloc and the rest of the world is high. If the whole world trades with the socialist countries and finds their products satisfactory, why shouldn't the Arab World? he asked.

While Arab countries are facing marketing problems in the West because of protectionism, Eastern Europe could serve a market for their goods, he added. We should not be confined

any longer within the traditional idéas and should adopt new strategies," Mr. Guehria stressed. He suggested that information trade centres and trade missions be established, along with increased cooperation between chambers of commerce. However, most importantly, he

stressed that trade cannot be developed without training: "Trainducts must be marketed every- conference.

characteristics, exporters must adopt accordingly. This requires

Secondly, Mr. Guehria pointed out that the private sector has not been involved in economic interaction. "In order to expand the interaction, the private sector must identify trade opportunities and start to make transactions," he said.

When asked about the contradiction between the private sector and the socialist ideology, which supports a state-controlled economy, Mr. Guehria responded by saying that reforms currently underway in socialist countries have introduced a foreign trade system which will allow for more flexibility in their foreign trade.

He cited a new law adopted by the Soviet Union this year which allows for enterprises and organisations to start direct marketing without the traditional intermediary - the ministry of foreign

Mr. Guehria also pointed to Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria two socialist countries following in Hungary's footsteps. In 1968, Hungary introduced more flexibility in its trade policies, more autonomy for trade organisations tion between the developing and facilitated permits for production organisations and joint

ventures as a part of trade reform.

"The concept of interdependence has played an important role in actualising these reforms. After 50 or 60 years, the socialist countries have realised that there is need for reforms as they are inevitably affected by the international economic system. Isolation of North-South and East-West can not continue; there is a need for a comprehensive plan," Mr. Guehria said.

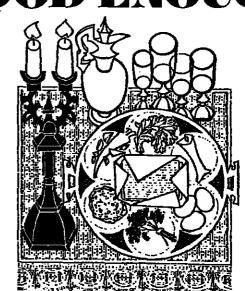
According to him, in order for the Eastern Bloc countries to improve their trade system and management and to become more active in the international trade market, such reforms are necessary.

"The purpose of this conference is to give the Arab World a chance to develop trade with the socialist markets and to identify these markets" he said Mr. ing is essential for producing a Guehria noted that resolutions to this effect have been passed by trate markets. Arab World pro- UNCTAD, which organised the

#### Rawabdeh meets with German delegation

AMMAN (Petra) - Greater Amman Mayor Abdul Ra'ouf Al Rawabdeh has met with the president of the German-Jordanian Friendship Society, Mr. Kurt Uihlein, and the president of the Ludwig Frank-Stiftung for a free Europe Society. During the Thursday meeting Mr. Rawabdeh briefed the German visitors on Amman's development, policies and services. Later, the German delegation toured Amman and viewed projects which the municipality is carrying out.

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#### ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

#### Friday's

#### Al Rai: Furthering Arab cooperation

THE Joint Jordanian Egyptian Higher Committee has met in Cairo to discuss bilateral cooperation in industry, trade, energy, transport and tourism. The ministers and senior officials accompanying Prime Minister Zaid Rifai to the meeting indicate clearly the importance Jordan attaches on the discussions which aim at further enhancing the process of integration between Jordan and Egypt. There is no doubt that this process is a positive factor for inter-Arab cooperation and solidarity, benefiting all other countries in general and Egypt and Jordan in particular. The higher committee has proved through its regular meetings, that it is implementing and following up the execution of projects which serve the national cause. It is only natural therefore for the leaderships of Egypt and Jordan to place confidence in this committee which tackles almost all aspects of cooperation between the peoples of Jordan and Egypt and endeavours to achieve prosperity for both on the basis of mutual benefit. Jordan which also maintains bilateral cooperation with Syria and Iraq hopes that through social and economic integration the Arabs can best achieve their aspirations and far-reaching objectives. Indeed, this is a constructive step leading the Arab World towards utilising its own potential for achieving prosperity for Arab masses.

#### Al Dustour: Envoys convey summit message

KING Hussein's envoys to various world capitals with messages from the monarch explaining the outcome of the extraordinary Arab summit are no doubt giving the summit resolutions momentum. These envoys' mission is comp 'mentary to the summit resolutions which brought about solidarity among the Arabs and re-established consensus that has been lacking for years. Jordan's efforts in this course of action and its dispatching of envoys to the world capitals are clearly designed to win further support for the Arab cause at this critical stage and as the Arabs continue to confront enormous challenges and threats from their enemies. The success achieved by the Arab leaders at the summit is now being enhanced and corroborated by the envoys' mission, and the mission is a means for aborting the conspiracies of the enemies of the Arab Nation. The Arab masses seem to be pinning their hopes and their aspirations on the consensus and the agreement of their leaders; and through spearheading efforts towards strengthening the Arab Nation's position. Jordan is helping to fulfil the aspirations of these masses. We back all efforts aimed at strengthening solidarity among Arab states and support endeavours to unify the Arab stand that can help the Arab masses achieve their objectives.

#### Sawt Al Shaab: Fruitful coordination

THE Joint Jordanian-Egyptian Higher Committee meetings in Cairo represent a manifestation of Jordan's role on the pan-Arab level to bring about a comprehensive integration within the Arab World. Jordan is coordinating its economic and social policies with Egypt, the major Arab state which carries real political and military weight which should be made to rejoin the Arab fold and serve the Arab Nation's interests. Since deciding to restore its diplomatic ties with Egypt in 1984 Jordan has been taking one brave step after another for the sake of bolstering its ties with this major Arab country with the purpose of re-invigorating the Arab Nation and enabling the Arabs to confront their enemies in unified ranks. The meetings in Cairo, coming in the wake of a successful Arab summit in Amman, bear significance: and these discussions will no doubt gain more credence and achieve more success in the light of the consensus and the agreement achieved by the summit.

#### Thursday's

#### Al Rai: Two against the world

THE United Nations has condemned acts of terrorism, but two of its members refrained from doing so. One was the U.S. which abstained from voting, and the other was Israel which opposed the vote. The United Nations also called for an international conference to define terrorism and deplore all acts of terrorism committed around the world. But in the light of the United Nations voting, we can say that there is no real need for such conference since Washington's abstinence and Israel's opposition to the vote present us with the required definition of terrorism. Terrorism is therefore all the actions committed by Israel and supported by the United States. A few years ago the United Nations unanimously deplored world Zionism. describing it as another form of racism. When the vote was taken, it was found that the United States abstained while Israel opposed the vote. That vote, which is a resolution by the international community, focuses the light on the true nature of Zionism which is a movement committed to all hostile actions that harm humanity and run contrary to all principles and values. Zionism embodies all forms of arrogance, lust for military power, occupation and expansionism through aggression. In the course of achieving its ends. Zionism committed massacres in the Middle East and brought about all forms of torture and sufferings to its peoples. The United Nations' condemnation of terrorism could be regarded as complementary to the previous resolution that deplored Zionism despite Israel's objection and U.S. abstinence from voting. In the light of these resolutions any resistance to occupation should be regarded as a legitimate national act.

#### Al Dustour: Promoting bilateral cooperation

THE Joint Jordanian-Egyptian Higher Committee opened a meeting in Cairo Thursday to follow up work on its previous resolutions and review earlier achievements. The new round of meetings represent another determined step on the part of Egypt and Jordan to promote the march of bilateral cooperation in economic and social fields. The committee's meeting is being held against a background of optimism for a stronger inter-Arab cooperation, following the historic outcome of the extraordinary Arab summit which achieved agreement and consensus among Arab states. There is no doubt that the Egyptian-Jordanian relations which have been developed, and witnessed a great deal of progress over the past three years presents a good example of brotherly cooperation within the Arab World.

#### VIEW FROM AMMAN

# Israeli politics and peace prospects

IN HIS message marking the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, and sent to the United Nations Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, His Majesty King Hussein reaffirmed previous Jordanian policies and also hinted at new, perhaps dramatic changes in Jordanian thinking. In reaffirming Jordan's commitment to a peaceful resolution based on U.N. Security Council Resolutions 338 of 1973 and 242 of 1967, curiously listed in that order, the King reviewed the frustrated efforts to reach a peaceful settlement and the continued stalemate since 1973 — a stalemate that Israel used to its advantage, not only in consolidating its colonisation-settlement programmes but in carrying on a programme of "humanely encouraging" the Palestinians to immigrate. "We ought to remember from the past ... [there is a special relationship between Jordan and the Palestinians ... which imposed on us a common view ... [regarding] the nature of the Israeli aggression ... Therefore we consider such ideas which say that the struggle in Palestine is between two nationalities within a single entity as a mere theoretical view..." the King said. The struggle is not so, and past experience has proved that. The conflict, the King said is between the legitimate owners of the land and its usurpers and thus it is not a struggle among two nationalities existing within Palestine, but between the Palestinian Arabs, legitimate, and Israelis, usurpers, over the whole of the land. Where will this line of thinking lead is a matter best left to future developments.

Surely Israeli intransigence, and its arrogance of power are to blame for the continued stalemate in the peace process. It has become obvious that Israel responds only to power and that neither the calls for justice, nor legality nor law have any meaning. Backed fully by a powerful ally, the United States, which has become totally captive to its own domestic power game, Israel, enjoying political and military imbalances in its favour since 1973, sees no reason for changing its expansionist aggressive policies. Only power can face power, otherwise the deadlock will continue.

While Jordan has been active in its peace efforts Israel has been active in thwarting them. The international peace conference as an instrument has been the victim of the stage-managed political game between the Likud and the Labour blocs. Not now, nor before was either bloc serious in pursuing a reasonable settlement and both were stalling for time needed to consolidate their colonial grip on the land. In fact, though perhaps not so apparent in rhetoric, both Israeli political blocs consider they already have the land and the problem has become what to do with the people; how to get rid of them. The struggle has entered a new stage and it has truly become a racial one. When in 1980 the United Nations General Assembly adopted Resolution 3379 equating Zionism with racism I wondered as well as pondered the wisdom of our pressure to have it passed. Yet as time passed and as we have accumulated more resolutions in the wake of further Israeli aggressions, I wonder no more! Like the Afrikaaners of South Africa, the Israelis identify with the land or think they do, but not with the people. They have come to depersonalise and dehumanise us just as the Nazis have done to European Jews. In their death arithmetic, the death of one hundred Arabs equals the death of one Israeli.

Mr. Peres and Mr. Shamir have been quietly engaged in negotiating an agreement that following the next elections, due in 1988, they should continue as partners in a coalition government. A government in which again they will play the game of musical chairs where each will be premier for two years. Neither expects to win

enough seats in the Knesset to form a government independently. The Israeli newspaper Davar which analysed the reasoning that lay behind these negotiations discounted any ideological difference between them and also emphasised that the Israeli public became accustomed to the idea of a coalition government.

It is obvious that this scenario does not leave much hope for the prospect of a peace settlement beyond 1988 and may be well into the nineties. Nor is it likely that the United States will change course; for, it too, will in 1988 be having its own presidential elections. There is no reason to hope that any positive change will occur. In this last month and while the United States House of Representatives voted overwhelmingly against the sale of F-15s to Saudi Arabia, negotiations were commenced with the Israelis to "sell" 75 F-16 fighter planes. The Israelis said they needed them! The annual \$3 billion aid to Israel will cover the sale no doubt. Mr. David Evri, director General of the Israeli ministry of "defence" added upon his return from Washington that the United States will allow Israeli defence ministry industries more chance to bid for

American military projects. The despair, covert and overt in the King's message, perhaps the hidden threat, emanates from such a bleak assessment. For while we are, and have been seeking peace, an honourable and a just one for all narties concerned, the coalition between the American and the Israeli Right, have been managing the stage, to contain and to manage, but not solve the crises of the area. We want peace and

they simply want to pacify us.

#### Joint committee ends meeting

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to hold a meeting of civil aviation officials from both countries to discuss possibility of exchange of exemption from civil defence fees or to amend the air transport agreement between both coun-

The two sides also agreed to increase the number of higher education fellowships granted to Jordanian students in Egypt to 15 during the academic year 1988-1989. They also agreed to holding an agreement of cooperation be-tween Petra and the Middle East News Agency

At the end of the meetings Mr. Rifai described the session as successful and said that achievements of the meetings constituted a step on the path of achieving integration between both coun-

Dr. Sedki expressed satisfaction by the outcome of the meetings saying that they took place in a brotherly atmosphere and that the two sides expressed keen interest in developing and enhancing bilateral relations in all fields. Later on Friday, Mr. Sedki Mr. Rifai and the delegation

accompanying him. The Jordanian side to the meetings in Cairo include Minister of Labour and Social Development Khaled Al Haj Hassan. Minister of Agriculture Marwan Hmoud, Minister of Industry and Trade Rajai Muasher, Minister of Energy and Mineral Resources Hisham Al Khatib, Minister of Higher Education

of Transport Ahmad Dakhqan and Minister of Information Mohammad Khatib, as well as Deputy Governor of the Central Bank of Jordan and Mr. Mohammad Saqqaf, under-secretary of the Ministry of Industry and Trade. Jordan's Ambassador to Egypt Hussein Hammami, Dr. Fayez Tarawneh, economic advisor at the prime minister's office. and Mr. Aktham Qousus, direc-

The Egyptian side included the ministers of foreign affairs, planning agriculture transport, energy, electricity, information, industry, petroleum, economy and trade, tourism, civil aviation, scientific research, health and education as well as the governor of Egypt's central bank.

tor of the prime minister's office.

The committee said at the end of Thursday's meeting that agreement had been reached on entrusting the joint Jordanian-Egyptian holding company with taking charge of a fisheries company and another that will breed livestock: and provide lean meat and also carry out feasibility studies on setting up a firm for producing agricultural seeds.

In energy, oil, electricity and ttee de that bilateral cooperation in solar energy should be continued. In transport it said agreement was reached on promoting operations along the Nweibeh-Aqaba landsea route.

According to Minister of Information Khatib, the committee also decided to hold a meeting between the national air carriers of Jordan and Egypt to work out a formula for coordinating air

was scotched by Jordan.

in October.

Israeli settlement.

The proposal was raised by

U.S. Secretary of State George P.

Shultz during a Middle East tour

It was seen as a means of

breaking the impasse between

Mr. Peres and Mr. shamir over

the holding of an international

conference to negotiate an Arab-

#### Nasseruddin Al Assad, Minister transport operations.

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feeling that we lost an opportun-

Mr. Peres' strategy was to push for two key concessions from the Soviet Union before the summit when Mr. Gorbachev was concerned about public opinion in

tion for Soviet Jews and restora-

In exchange, Israel would give a green light to Soviet participa-tion in a Middle East peace process which would enhance Moscow's position in a region where America has long been dominant.

"I read... that Gorbachev is today the hero of the United States," Mr. Peres said. "From the Jewish point of view, this says that today he doesn't need very much to soften (things up to tions for his coming to the United

Mr. Peres indicated he now pinned his hopes on another Soviet-American summit that he

"In this period between De-

Party said that after the Washington summit Mr. Peres would push for the superpowers to invite the leaders of Israel and Arab states

Foreign ministry sources who demanded anonymity said Mr. Peres would be open to renewed efforts to bring Israeli and Arab leaders together under Soviet-American sponsorship.

### Israel stages army exercises

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the attack for which the Syrianbased group Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine has claimed responsibility for the hang-glider raid as well as the border clash.

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has predicted a big Israeli attack on Lebanon that could include a land invasion.

"There is a big Israeli mobilisation," the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) chairman told Kuwait's Al Watan newspaper in an interview published on Thursday.

"The strikes will be either by air and sea, using rockets and guns against Palestinian camps, or a temporary occupation of some areas where Palestinians Lebanon radio.

Palestinian forces in South Lebanon have been on high alert since the Nov. 25 hang-glider attack. Israel has hinted at possible retaliation.

Mr. Arafat on Thursday also lauded the hang-glider raid and said it proved Israel's renowned "security" was a myth.

He said in a radio interview the attack demonstrated "there can be no barriers or obstacles to hinder a guerrilla who has decided to become a martyr.'

"The operation proved that Israeli security is nothing but a myth which (Israel) could never preserve through its military forces or radar installations," Mr. Arafat told the rightist Voice of

### No shady deals

To the Editor:

I have been extremely surprised by the comments made in an editorial of the Jordan Times (Dec. 3/4, 1987) about the latest which occurred in relation with country held in Lebanon and the so-called "embassies war." These comments reflect an analysis which was unfortunately

made in some "friendly" capitals and take no accounts of the statements made in France by officials about these issues in spite of the fact that these same statements are reported the same day in your newspaper.

Therefore, I don't find it necessary to comment at length on

their content. Suffice it to state that France has paid no ransom for the release of Mr. Normandin and Mr. Auque and has not indulged in any deal involving armaments. This has been stated time and again at the highest official level in France.

As for Security Council Resolution 598, I would like to stress that France, along with some of the permanent members, but unfortunately not all, has been pressing for its early implementa-tion in the proper order it sets, which implies, if needed, resorting to means provided for by the U.N. Charter. This French position has not changed as is well-known by all interested parties and, first of all, by Iraq. The latest developments have no bearing on France's constant policy towards the Middle East, particularly towards Iraq, and our position in relation with the Iran-Iraq

I would appreciate if you could make my remarks known to your readers.

> Patrick Leclercq Ambassador of France,

> > CHINESE

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#### Aziz lauds Iraq-Syria contacts

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"Relations between Iran and Israel are deeper than a deal of exchanging weapons in return for (allowing) Iranian Jews (to leave

the ties could spread to Arab countries.

Documents seized by Swedish customs police say Israel sold Iran millions of dollars worth of Iran)." said Mr. Aziz, adding that explosives.

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said was likely in May or June.

cember and end of May the superpowers will discuss, of course, the regional issues... we can estimate that the Middle East issue will be discussed, too.' Sources in Mr. Peres' Labour

to summit talks in Moscow.

Both sources spoke on condition of anonymity. Israeli officials have said the

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### How the Western media covered the extraordinary Amman summit

### Scepticism grew into admiration as Arab conference's success forced reappraisal of anticipated results

By Lamis K. Andoni

AMMAN — The Western press coverage of the extraordinary Arab summit, which convened in Amman between Nov. 8-11, reflected an initial scepticism which gradually grew, as the summit progressed and ultimately concluded with agreement and consensus, into a rather surprised admiration and welcome of the outcome of the conference.

The Western media's appraisal of the summit's resolutions, however, was partly reflective of the Western perception of the situation in the Gulf and the dynamics of the Arab-Israeli conflict. Consequently, and as press analysts here pointed out, the Western press basically welcomed the "tough Arab stand against Iran and Syria's shift of position on the Gulf war and on relations with Egypt." Therefore, and not to the surprise of press analysts here, these two issues dominated the Western press coverage of the summit.

Analysts and observers in the region believe that the focus of the Western reports on these two issues and the way the summit resolutions were portrayed reflected two important dimensions directly related with the Western outlook of the political conditions

in the region: - First, unlike the Arab attitude towards Israel, the major ally of the U.S. in the area, the summit's conclusion that Iran constituted a threat to the Arab World was identical to the Western view of the Iranian danger to its interests in the region. Consequently some editorials in the Western newspapers could not conceal their pleasure at what they perceived as Arab consensus that "Iran and not Israel was the source of danger in the region." Thus some editorials chose to ignore the fact that the continuation of the Iran-Iraq war was draining Arab potentials, and consequently a prompt end to the war would foster efforts to confront Israeli threats.

- Second, Syria has long been perceived by the West as "a radical state which has been blocking the U.S.-led peace process and supporting 'terrorist groups'." Thus the apparent shift in the Syrian position at the summit was welcomed in the Western media as a strong indictator "that Syria was ready to change its

foreign policy.' Western reporting, however, was not solely shaped by the Western perception of the situation in the region but also by the developments that characterised the events which immediately preceded the convening of the

· However, Western journalists could not have failed to point out that it was the expansion of the Iran-Iraq war to the other Gulf states, rather than the Arab-Israeli conflict, which brought the Arab leaders together for the first time in five years.

But judging by a reading of articles in selected British and American newspapers and magazines and interviews with press analysts here, the Western media's assessment of the summit's outcome appears to have been influenced by both the Western outlook, albeit to various degress, and by the contradictory and sometimes confusing signals which kept emanating from the Arab parley concerning inter-Arab relations.

The influence of the latter was detected through contacts among local and Western journalists during the conference.

It has to be indicated in this context that this reading remains incomplete since it focuses on the American and British press coverage and due to the fact that not all the reports were available to the Jordan Times.

But in general there had been a gradual shift from outright scepticism into a positive welcome, albeit sometimes reserved, of the summit's resolutions. The most obvious exception was The Economist which criticised the summit for not severing relations with

The Western press in particular highlighted the unified Arab position on the Iran-Iraq war, the shift in Syria's position on the Gulf, the Syrian-Iraqi reconciliation and the summit's decision

over ties with Cairo. The initial scepticism obviously stemmed from inter-Arab divisions which for so long hampered all previous efforts to convene a fully attended Arab summit. Furthermore, Western journalists and experts had expressed doubts, in the weeks preceding the summit, that there could be a unified Arab position in support of Iraq or a resolution that would pave the way for a gradual return

The mere convening of the summit was a personal success for King Hussein — David Hirst, The Guardian, Nov. 8

of Egypt to the Arab fold. Those doubts were strengthened only a few days before the summit, when Saudi Arabia's King Fahd announced that he was delegating Crown Prince Abdullah to head the Saudi delegation. and as rumours and speculations spread about a possible Syrian withdrawal if the issue of Egypt's readmission to the Arab League was to be on the summit's

In an editorial published on the eve of the summit, the British magazine Middle East International, said: "Prospects for any agreement on the major topics did not look bright."

The most pessimistic outlook, however, was expressed by the Israeli press rather than the Westem press. An editorial published by The Jerusalem Post on Nov. 9 argued that the summit would deepen Arab differences. The editorial, which had the ominous title of "rifts beyond repair," outlined the sumbling blocks that the summit was facing, such as the Arab split over the Iran-Iraq war, the strained Syrian-Egyptian relations and finally the "conflicting" Arab positions over "negotiations with Israel.

Consequently, The Jerusaiem Post's editorial came to a rather "confident" conclusion: "... There is good reason to believe, therefore, that rather than modulate the prevailing disputes, the conference may very well only

serve to deepen them." But even if reports in the Western press did not echo that ominous Israeli prediction, scepticism was soon replaced by reserved optimism as the conference opened and news about inter-Arab reconciliations started leaking to the hundreds of Arab and foreign journalists who had come to Amman to cover the

In general the first dispatches depicted the full-Arab attendance as a success in itself for the Arab World as well as a "personal success" for His Majesty King Hussein. In an article published in The Guardian on Nov. 8, David Hirst noted that "the mere convening of the summit was a personal success for King Hus-

The initial reports also portrayed the serious mood of urgency that prevailed during the opening session as expressed in King Hussein's opening speech to the summit's first closed session.

International agencies and newspapers highlighted the King's plea to the Arab World for Syria's position on the Gulf war, unity in order to put an end to the Iran-Iraq war and to confront Israel. The King's urgent call for a united Arab front was reported against the backdrop of the Ira-nian missile attack on Baghdad which coincided, or was most probably timed, with the opening of the summit.

By the second day of the summit news about a widely rumoured, but yet unconfirmed. reconciliation meeting between expect next. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Syrian President Hafez Al agency dispatches and reports. But as news agencies carried reports of ongoing mediation efforts to arrange such a meeting, articles in the Western press started suggesting that the unthinkable could actually happen and that Damascus was actually ready to reconsider its position on

the Gulf war. "... But far from walking out of the meeting, as had been feared, President Assad agreed to attend a special session with President Hussein after 'a calm and objective' three-hour discussion of their differences, reported Ian Murray from The Times of London. on Nov. 10. Other reports highlighted Jordan's efforts in bringing the two Arab leaders together. "King Hussein persuaded the leaders of Syria and Iraq... to discuss their differences at a meeting with five other lead-

Reuters dispatch said. By Nov. 11, news about a Syrian-Iraqi reconciliation dominated Western reports which although described it as a breakthrough, were still extremely sceptical that the meeting between the two leaders had succeeded in ironing out the accumulated differences between Baghdad and Damascus. The journalists' scepticism seemed to be further substantiated by leaks about Syrian attempts to block a summit resolution endorsing a U.N.-ordered ceasefire plan between Iraq and Iran.

Thus most of the reports which appeared on Nov. 11 included speculation over the reasons which could have compelled or prompted Syria to change its heart, including pressure by the Gulf states, its "growing isola-tion" in the Arab World as a result of its relations with Tehran, and almost all the reports concluded that Syria's internal economic difficulties were instrumental in bringing about the

Other reports were less confident about Syrian readiness to endorse a summit resolution in support of Iraq.

In addition to news about the Syrian-Iraqi reconciliation and its implications, there were reports on a possible resumption of the Jordanian-Palestinian dialogue following two meetings on Nov. 10 between King Hussein and Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat. The Western press reported that the PLO delegation was "initially isolated and neglected" before it was later included in the resolutions-drafting committee. The reports also included speculations about the possible final draft resolution on the Palestinian question. They included speculation on whether an Arab endorsement of a U.N.sponsored international peace: conference would define the form of PLO participation and the Arab position on Security Council Resolution 242. The meetings between King Hussein and Mr. Arafat also gave way to questions over a possible resumption of political coordination and consequently on whether there had been any change in previous positions by either side.

By the morning of Nov. 11, and while journalists were waiting for the final session, two developments captured the attention of the press. The first was statements by Iraq's First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan that there was "a positive change in the Syrian position" and that Damascus was expected to endorse a resolution

in support of Iraq. The second was the first significant leak on Syria's position to-wards the PLO. According to a report, first carried by Reuters, the final session was delayed due to a last minute dispute over Syria's alleged attempts to block any reference to the PLO in the final communique. Hence by the time the closing session started, relations with Egypt and the PLO remained a mystery despite repeated confirmations by Jordanian and other Arab officials that a consensus would be reached on all major issues.

Thus as Arab League Secretary General Chadli Klibi began reading the communique, journalists were glued to television sets, distributed all over the Royal Cultural Centre, unsure of what to

Western journalists enlisted the help of the local press for Assad was the theme of most sumultaneous translation, and as the tough worded Arabic communique became intelligible. Western journalists could not hide their disbelief at the explicit condemnation of Iran contained in the summit's resolutions.

At the beginning, many journalists focused all of their attention, though temporarily, on the long resolution on the Gulf and were particuarly amazed at Syria's support of the communique's description of the Iranian actions as "criminal acts of aggression and provocation." What captured the journalists attention was Syria's final acceptance of U.N. Security Council Resolution 598 in toto.

Western journalists were no less surprised at the summit's unanimous decision (Libya was the only government to express reservations over the issue) to leave the door open for countries

ers on Monday (Nov. 9)," a to individually restore ties with Cairo and at the conference's support of PLO participation in the proposed international conference in its capacity as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people on equal footing with the other parties.

The final communique seemed to contradict earlier reports about strong Syrian objections to an Arab condemnation of Iran, to the reestablishment of relations with Cairo and the reference to the PLO. Therefore many Western reports on the summit sought to explain the reasons behind the Syrian shift. In a lengthy analysis published in The Guardian on Nov. 13, Mr. Hirst wrote that the consensus achieved at the summit would not have been possible without Damascus' endorsement of the resolution.

The unanimous and strongly worded summit proclamation a little marred, it is true, by Libya's quick disassociation from it - was made possible by Syria's acquiescence to the will of the majority.

Mr. Hirst attributed Syria's shift of position to a number of factors including a need by Damascus to "relief" its financial burdens, to assert its pan-Arab identity and to preempt being ostracised by the Arab countries for its support for Iran.

. Almost similar conclusions were made by Marie Colvin of The Sunday Times who wrote on Nov, 15 that Syria "had little choice but to agree to censure" Tehran. Again The Sunday Times hinted that the change of position by Syria was part of a 'deal" which involved promises of Arab aid to relieve the ailing Syrian economy.

The same assessment, in its broad outlines, was shared by both Christopher Dickey of Newsweek and Dean Fischer from Time magazine. In an article entitled "A Radical Returns to the Ranks," Mr. Fischer pointed out Jordan's successful role in drawing Damascus closer to other Arab countries' stands on the Gulf war.

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In an article entitled "Summit of Brotherly Love," Mr. Dickie noted, however, that the Arab leaders were not seeking to alienate Damascus but the aim was to change Syria's position and con-sequently its role in Arab politics.

in general all of the articles described the summit as a success for Jordan as much as for the Arab World. But their interpretation of success varied. For while Mr. Hirst viewed it as "...a success in the historical perspective to forestall further exasperation of inter-Arab divisions," Ms. Colvin viewed it as a success of moderation "at the expense of

This "message of moderation," as was described by the New York Times, was welcomed by the infuential American news-paper. In an editorial reprinted by the International Herald Tribune in its edition of Nov. 14-15, the New York Times expressed hope that the Arab "moderation" would help lift the peace process off the ground and foster American efforts to implement U.N. Security Council Resolution 598 and consequently would make it "... harder for Moscow to resent an arms embargo against Tehran for not accepting the U.N. cease-

The Times described the summit's communique as "astonishing," for the conference had called "for an international peace conference to deal with Israel ... and thundered at Iran in terms once reserved for Israel."

The Times' editorial and some of its reports drew strong criticism in the Arab World by some

In a lengthy article written by the well-known Arab columnist, Nasser Al Din Al Nashashibi, the Paris-based Al Mustakbal criti- discussed in articles as evidence cised some of the reports of both of Syria's change of its stands; but Mr. Murray from The Times of London and Mr. Thomas Fried- the Arab formula on Egypt reman of The New York Times. flected Syria's "success in block-

ly critical of an article by Mr. Friedman that implied that the Palestinian cause was pushed to the bottom of Arab priorities and that Iran had become the major enemy as Arab governments

...There is reason to believe that rather than modulate the prevailing (Arab) disputes, the conference may very well only serve to deepen them The Jerusalem Post, Nov. 9

But even if reports in the Western press did not echo that ominous Israeli prediction, scepticism was soon replaced by reserved optimism as the conference opened and news about inter-Arab reconciliations started filtering to the hundreds of Arab and foreign journalists who had come to Amman to cover the event. Western journalists were no less surprised at the summit's unanimous decision to leave the door open for countries to individually restore ties with Cairo and at the conference's support for PLO participation in the proposed international conference.

seemed eager to make peace with Israel at any expense.

But it seems, from reading Mr. Nashishibi's articles and talking to press analysts that what really drew the criticism of some Arab writers was not the observations of the Western reporters per se but the implied Western rejoice at what was perceived as a shift in Arab priorities from facing Israel to confronting Iran.

"It is very rare that the West-ern press, particularly the editorials, has welcomed any unified Arab position to confront Israel while many newspapers could not conceal their joy at Iran's censure," a Jordanian press analyst said. "The clear implications in such editorials that they reflected hope that finally the Arab countries were moving towards accepting Israel."

The analyst noted that most articles ignored the fact that it was not the first time that the Arabs had called for a peaceful settlement for the Palestinian question and that an end of the Gulf war was relevant to converting all Arab efforts to confront

But some Western journalists, particularly Mr. Hirst, viewed the Arabs' preoccupation with confronting the Iranian danger as a drawback for the Palestinian cause. In his analysis the British journalist argued that the fact that it was the first summit ever not to be dedicated to the Palestinian question was in itself a draw-

Other Western reports, including almost all dispatches carried by the international news agencies, agreed that "the Palestinian question was pushed to the backburner to confront the Iranian threat.'

This analysis contradicted the assessments of Arab officials who argued that the Arab-Israeli conflict remained the heart of the Arab causes and that a unanimous Arab stand to halt the Gulf war would contribute effectively to efforts to find a durable and just solution for the Palestinian cause. Surprisingly, however, few Western newspapers dedicated articles to discuss the implications of the resolution to restore ties with Egypt.

In fact this issue in particular Arab writers who expressed anger at what they viewed as "a condescending tone."

was mostly referred to in the context of "Arab moderation" and of "the Arab World's growing need for Egypt's weight to confront the Iranian threat in the Gulf." The resolution was also many journalists also argued that Mr. Nashashibi was particular- ing a readmission of Cairo into

the Arab League." Again Mr. Hirst viewed the resolution from an entirely different perspective. According to

the prominent British journalist. the decision to restore relations with Cairo (while still bound to the Camp David accord with Israel) "...cannot but be seen as further diminution of the overall Arab commitment to the (Palestinian) cause." In that this point in particular

generated interest in the Israeli press which expressed hope that it would lead to an Arab acceptance of Camp David. Most Israeli journalists, and officials for that matter, "welcomed" the resolution as a strong indication of the Arab governments' readiness to enter into peace negotiations with Israel. These journalists mostly ignored the Arab endorsement of a U.N. sponsored international peace conference and focused instead on "the prospects of future direct negotiations, and even normalisation of Israeli-Arab relations," which the decision on Egypt was perceived to provide.

Yehuda Litani, The Jerusalem Post Middle East editor, seemed far less enthusiastic than his colleagues and he even disagreed with the general Israeli assessment. In a lengthy article published in the Post on Nov. 13, Mr. Litani suggested that the Arab decision could impede the normalisation of relations between Egypt and Israel.

"For the Egyptians, an official resumption of their ties with most Arab states, could mean a further cooling of ties of the already 'cold peace' with Israel, unless a breakthrough is not expected in the foreseeable future," Mr. Litani said. But since "such a breakthrough is not expected in the foreseeable future, the price of warming up relations with the other Arab states is a cooling of Egypt's relations with Israel," he concluded.

Ironically what Mr. Litani seemed to fear reflected exactly what Arab writers, who tackled the subject, were hoping for. Both Al Mustakbal and the London-based Al Majala, which dedicated lengthy articles on Egypt, argued that the summit's resolution on Egypt would only be considered successful if it finally enabled Cairo to resume its Arab role in full. This could only be achieved if Cairo moved away from the Camp-David accords and closer to the Arab ranks, the magazines concluded.



Killing on the Exchange: Monday at 10:20

#### **JTV Channel 2 Preview**

Sat. - Dec. 5, 1987

8:30 Just Good Friends

9:00 Variety Show

10:20 Betty Ford Story

The story of the life of Betty Ford wife of the ex-president of the USA and her suffering from alcoholism and drugs. She was operated for removing cancer from her liver. She joins her husband in preparing for his compaign to 9:10 Doc. - Well Being run the elections for the pres-

Sun. — Dec. 6, 1987

8:30 Charles in Charge 9:10 One part Doc. — The

Paper Clip Conspiracy The programme relates the story of the Nazi scientists during

World War II, who were transfer-

red by the Americans. 10:20 The Equalizer

Mon. Dec. 7, 1987

8:30 Kate and Allie

9:00 Communications

9:10 Falcon Crest Finders and Losers

10:20 A Killing on The Ex-

Sir Max is made uneasy by an widow Isobel (Sian Phillips). She is determinately seeking finance to set herself up in business and seems anxious to stir up memories of their past affair.

Tue. — Dec. 8, 1987

8:30 Farrington of The F.O.

9:10 Remington Steele

10:20 Dorothy L. Sayers **Mysteries** Gaudy Night Last part

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Wed. — Dec. 9, 1987

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11:10 Hi De Hi

Thur. — Dec. 10, 1987

8:30 TV Censored Bloopers

9:30 Alfred Hitchcock Presents...

10:20 Feature Film Who is Killing The Great Chefs of

Starring: Jacqueline Bissett Robert Morley Jean-Pierre Cassel

Fri. — Dec. 11, 1987

8:30 Comedy

Phillippe Noiret

9:10 Against the Wind

10:20 Basketball



### Salonika tops European Basketball Cuppool Police quel

the 1.83-metre tall god of Greek basketball who led his country to the European Championship last summer, took his club Aris Salonika to the top of the European Men's Champion Clubs' Cup final pool with an 89-88 win over F.C. Barcelona in Spain on

Gallis, who had an American college career at Seton Hall in New Jersey, scored 45 points, following his 38 points in last week's win over Orthez of France. Aris is the only unbeaten 103-102 in overtime on Wednes- full time. team after two rounds of the final day despite trailing 99-92 with

Defending champions Tracer Milan of Italy, who lost by 24 points to final pool newcomers Cologne last week, were again without their injured international forward Roberto Premier but still defeated Yugoslavia's Partimer Los Angeles Laker Bob McAdoo scored 34 points.

Dutch team Nashua Den Bosch trounced Mccabi Tel Aviv

Kasparov has edge on Karpov in

adjourned 19th title chess game

minutes. The game was agreed drawn

with Karpov having king and

three pawns against king and two

pawns but with now way to in-

The hostilities between the

players appeared to thaw once

more as they spent several mi-

nutes discussing the adjourned

position, moving the pieces, chat-

vade Kasparov's position.

only three minutes of the extra period to play.

American Paul Thompson, a 95-metre forward formerly with Cleveland, Milwaukee and Philadelphia in the National Basketball Association (NBA), kept the Dutch in the game with 46 points zan Belgrade 93-83. Milan's for- but local player Rob Korthout proved the match-winner.

Korthout spent most of regular time on the bench but scored seven points in the extra period after the scores were tied 92-92 at

age him for the final stage of the

The contest is tied at 91/2 to 91/2

with three wins and 13 draws for

each player. Kasparov would re-

tain the crown in the event of a 12-12 tie in the 24 game series. Chess experts felt that both

players could be content with the

Icelandic grandmaster Helgi Olafsson told Reuters: "Karpov

can't be dissatisfied - he pressed

for a win the whole game."

result of the 19th game.

In the opening round of the men's Korac Cup quarter-final groups. Racing Club of Paris up-

set Italian league leaders Juven-tus Caserta 91-81 but the other ties followed form with home victories for Madrid, Cibona Zagreb, Red Star, Cantu and Jugo-

The two semifinal groups of the Men's Cup Winners' Cup opened with a 108-106 overtime win for Limoges, former Korac Cup winners, away to English League leaders Kingston.

minutes to play but forced extra time with free throws from two English players.

Tuzla of Yugoslavia were the only away winners in the Women's Champion Clubs' Cup final pool with a 68-67 victory in Versailles, France, on Thursday.

In the women's Ronchetti Cup, Ancona of Italy needed two periods of overtime to beat the Hungarians of Budapest 97-93 after being tied at 79-79 and

### Swiss skier dominates Val d'Isere downhill

VAL D'ISERE, France (AP) -Two-time world champion Maria Walliser of Switzerland broke out of a slump to lead a Swiss sweep as she captured the opening World Cup downhill ski event Friday, edging teammates Miche-

la Figini and Zoe Haas. Walliser, the 1987 world champion in the downhill, was timed in minute, 12.14 seconds down the 2,199-metre course. Figini, the 1984 Olympic and 1985 world champion, followed with 1:21,19. Haas finished third in 1:21.38.

Swiss women skiers took five of the top seven places with Brigitte Oertli fourth and Heide Zeller tied for seventh. Canada's Laurie Graham, who led two practice runs, finished fourth in 1:21.53.

Haas was the first of the top group down the slope and immediately set up a fast time. Graham, staring third in the race, finished behind Haas' time.

Figini came down seventh and trailed Haas at the first intermediate point, 56.37 seconds to Haas' 55.98.

The winner of each race will

get 100 points, the runner-up 40 points, third 25, fourth 15 and

fifth 10 with the highest point-

getter after the four races being

declared the winner of the three

million yen (roughly \$23,000).

Top prize plus a gold trophy, they

called in. Policemen escorted Davies from the ring as their colleagues ejected troublemakers from the Golden Saddle Trophy and the Golden Whip Trophy on Sunday.

> John Morris, secretary of the British Boxing Board of Control, told reporters afterwards: "This definitely puts Frankham's career in some jeopardy.'

fans as boxer

slugs referee

boxing in many years.

Wednesday night.

The fighting among sections of

tors erupted when disgruntled 23-

Davies twice in the face in a bout

ham's fight with Billy Sims in the first round after Sims had twice

floored his opponent in the first

Frankham, a professional fight-

er for only three months, refused

to accept the referee's decision

nephew of former British cham-

pion Johnny Frankham, stormed

around the ring showing his dis-gust, then waded into Davies.

Stewards battled in vain for 15

minutes to try to quel the ensuing

fighting that eruped between sup-

porters of Frankham and Sims in the crowd and police were then

two minutes of the bout.

He added: T've issued warnings about his supporters to the promoters at each of his four fights. But there did not seem to be adequate stewarding here and t seems people have got hurt. It's disgraceful. It's one of the worst nights for British boxing for many

### Police quel Holyfield to defend two fighting among boxing titles against Qawi ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (R) — of the first step before taking the

against former champion and fel-low-American Dwight Moham-LONDON (AP) — Police have broke up fighting among rival mad Qawi on saturday, but he has his sights set on becoming a fans at a boxing match at west beavyweight. London's Wembley Grand Hall what fight authorities called one

"I'm going to be a heavyweight eventually." said Holyfield, who has won 12 fights inside the disof the worst nights for British tance in a 16-0 record. the crowd of about 1,500 specta-

Holyfield, 25, will defend his World Boxing Association year-old light-heavyweight Bob-(WBA) junior-heavyweight and by Frankham hit referee Richie International Boxing Federation (IBF) cruiserweight titles in the scheduled 15-round fight. Frankham attacked Davies when the referee stopped Frank-

"I can't go nowhere until I Osvaldo Ocasio in defeat him. I'm going to take care defend both titles.

Evander Holyfield will put his two 87-kg world titles on the line second step." said Holyfield, who beat Qawi on a split decision in July 1986 to take away the WBA

But the 34-year-old Qawi, who has a 28-4-1 record, is undaunted about that defeat. "I have very bad intentions Saturday night, he said. "It might take three minutes, it might take six mi-

Holyfield's last two fights both ended prematurely. In May he acquired the IBF crown by stopping compatriot and defending champion Rickey Parkey in the third round and three months later stopped Puerto Rican Osvaldo Ocasio in the 11th to

#### Saudi Arabia, Iraq draw in Olympic soccer qualifier

RIYADH (R) — Saudi Arabia Doha. The match was watched by and Iraq draw 0-0 on Friday in a an attendance of approximately when Davies stopped the fight.

To booing from hostile sections
of the crowd, the angry boxer, a Western Asian Group soccer 20,000. qualifying match for next year's Seoul Olympic games.

The other members of the played to a goalless draw in match.

In Doha, Qatar and Kuwait

played to a goalless draw on Friday in the same group. Approgroup, Qatar and Kuwait, also ximately 8,000 fans attended the

### IOC rules out plans to switch Seoul games

LAUSANNE, Switzerland (R) Olympic Chief Juan Antonio Samaranch has said the Seoul games would go ahead next vear in spite of concern that North Korea might launch a campaign of violence to disrupt them.

"The games will be in Seoul or there will be no games," the president of the Lausanne-based International Olympic Committee (IOC) said in an interview on Thursday.

Samaranch declined to comment on the mid-air disappearance of a Korean Airlines plane with 115 people on board on Sunday. South Korean President Chun Doo Hwan has said it appeared North Korea was responsible for the loss of the Boeing 707.

Samaranch has overseen four rounds of talks between North and South Korea aimed at averting a Communist-Bloc boycott of the games, which open in Seoul on Sept. 17.

He repeated his view that any country which boycotts the Seoul games should be barred from the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona,

### 7 foreign jockeys to compete in Japan

TOKYO (AP) - American jockey Laffit Pincay Jr. will be one of seven top-ranked foreign jockeys competing in four invitational horse races on Saturday and Sunday at Hanshin race course in western Japan, the Japan Horse Race Association said Friday.

Other foreign jockeys who will compete are Steve Cauthen, winner of 954 races in North America and 883 in Britain through 1986; American Pat Day, with 3,546, career victories through 1986; Yves Saint-Martin, 15-time French champion; Pat Eddery of Ireland, winner of the Epsom

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Derby in 1975 and 1982; Cash Brian Asmussen of Ireland, winner of 896 races in North America and 546 in France through 1986; and Lance Anthony O'Sullivan, New Zealand's leading jockey with 502 victories in 1986 and 1987, according to the association.

Japan's three leading jockeys — Yukio Okabe, Hiroshi Kawachi and Katsumi Minami will also compete in the two-day

The Golden Spur Trophy and the Golden Boots Trophy races will be held on Saturday and the

Each jockey also gets a one-million-yen (\$7,600) allowance

for one race. Jockeys will ride a different Japanese horse in each of the four

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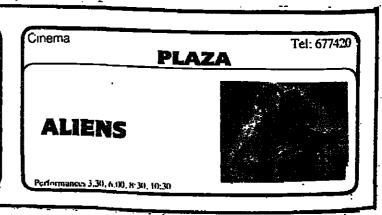
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SEVILLE, Spain (R) — World Chess champion Garry Kasparov. in a slightly inferior position, held off challenger Anatoly Karpov to draw the 19th game of their match on Thursday. Karpov, 36, gave up his win-

ning attempts after 62 moves and less than an hour of play in the adjournment session.

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Kasparoy, 24, had clearly worked out the position overnight and reeled off his 22 moves of the session in less than ten

ting and smiling. Experts felt that Kasparov's successful defence would encour-Shoe repair while ou wait Key cutting

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# Economy Sto Major donor nations agree to help Sudan

PARIS (Agencies) — Sudan's to encourage the private sector, major aid donors pledged additional funds to help the East ime, give emphasis to agricultural some aid because they have no African country cover its urgent financial needs in the current fiscal year and overcome an \$11 billion debt burden.

The pledges were made at a meeting in Paris of delegation heads of the consultative group for Sudan, hosted by the World Bank, as well as representatives of 23 governments and aid agencies. The Sudanese delegation was led by Finance Minister Beshir Omar.

Sudan has called on creditors to write off foreign loans or agree to easy repayment terms in a new bid to tackle its debt burden and a growing threat of starvation.

Sudan is already \$700 million in arrears with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) alone and is one of many poor African countries which earn less foreign commune their debt servic-

ing requires.

The World Bank said in a statement that donors were extremely appreciative of Sudan's efforts so far to implement an economic adjustment programme and recognised the "considerable courage" needed to establish the

All the participants stressed the importance of following through with an effective medium-term programme and a need for adequate and timely assistance.

The delegates stressed a need

ime, give emphasis to agricultural development, take steps to protect the environment, and take measures to offset the adverse

impact of adjustment on vulner-

able parts of Sudan's population. "On the basis of indications of assistance mentioned during the meeting, it appeared that a significant portion of Sudan's urgent financial requirements for the current fiscal year would be met," the World Bank statement

"Furthermore, a number of donors indicated their intention of finalising new assistance to Sudan which would enable the programme to be fully financed. it added but gave no figures of the likely aid.

The World Bank said that the donors agreed on the desirability of holding a full consultative group meeting in late April, 1988, after Sudan's medium-term adjustment programme had been fully formulated.

EC plans to give \$625m to poorest African countries

Meanwhile, the European Community (EC) plans to channel up to \$625 million of aid to sub-Saharan Africa's poorest countries, a senior EC official said on

The money, as direct grants. would go to the 22 poorest coun-

#### LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Friday.

One Sterling One U.S. dollar

1.8125/35 1.3085/95 1.6530/37 1.8601/11 1.3505/15 34.60/64 5.6275/6300 1220/1221 131.93/132.03 6.4075/4125 6.3800/50

with prices remaining depressed by the lower closing overnight in

Wall Street opened weak Friday but the modest decline there

support to prices in London. By 1526 GMT Friday, the FTSE 100 was down 22.6 points to 1,565.8 after a low of 1,562.1 a few

Share volume by 1500 GMT was 464.1 million, higher than at

B.P. announced Friday morning that Kuwait had raised its

Dealers speculated that part of Friday's massive share volume

stake in the company to 10.44 per cent from 10.06 per cent, having recently bought about 22.5 million more ordinary shares.

in the new B.P. shares was due to Kuwaiti investment buying.

One analyst said that it makes sense that Kuwait would pick up as

many shares as possible and hang on to them as a long-term

this time during the past few sessions. But dealers noted this total

included trades in 134.3 million new B.P. part paid shares.

minutes before the 1430 GMT Wall Street opening bell.

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compared to Thursday's sharp selling

U.S. dollars Canadian dollar West German marks

market value. Terms of the merger agree-LONDON STOCK MARKET LONDON (R) — Shares were dull in sluggish afternoon business

> close early next year. Last week Hutton said it was deposit with banks.

The rapid expansion of Shear-

some aid because they have no accords with the World Bank or

the IMF. Monetary sources said the bank hoped to get donors to call for radical measures to solve pledge about \$3 billion in total the continent's debt crisis.

The meeting follows a two-day Organisation of African Unity (OAU) summit, which ended in Addis Ababa on Tuesday with a

It also raises questions about

Shearson's own financial posi

tion. The firm faces a rugged

environment on Wall Street in

addition to the difficult task of

Already, Moody's Investors

Service, a leading credit rating

concern, says it has Shearson

under review. Shearson is 70 per

cent owned by American Express

Analysts said a takeover of

Hutton by Shearson could result

in the elimination of nearly half

of Hutton's staff positions, furth-

ering the consolidation seen

among Wall Street brokers since

"There are going to be layoffs," said a bond trader at

agreement had been approved

It said the combined firm

Based on capital, Shearson is

currently the second-largest U.S.

securities firm and Hutton is

10th. The combined firm will

rank first, the two companies

Together, they will have 12,500

Industry analysts said Hutton's

investment banking division was

likely to suffer the most layoffs.

Analysts have said Hutton's

retail base is considered a prize

for any of a number of foreign

and domestic companies wishing

to expand their financial services

Hutton's image was badly dam-

aged when it pleaded guilty in

May 1985 to 2,000 counts of

federal charges of fraud stem-

ming from a "check-kiting"

scheme - illegal use of funds on

declines, a scandal in which it had

to buy back \$70 million of float-

ing-rate industrial revenue bonds,

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laundering through its providence

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of more than \$102 billion.

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companies.

#### Shearson agrees to buy **Hutton for nearly \$1b**

NEW YORK (R) - Shearson Lehman Brothers signed an agreement on Thursday to acquire the E.F. Hutton group for close to \$1 billion, a merger likely to make the fast-growing Shearson the biggest U.S. stockbroker.

Shearson's bold move to dramatically expand its business following the October stock market crash will more than double its offices and corps of registered stockbrokers.

But once the merger is completed. Shearson is likely to cut staff to create a combined company that is about equal in size to Merrill Lynch, the industry

"The combination of the two companies creates an organisation of unprecedented depth, diversity and strength in the securities industry," said Shearson Chairman Peter Cohen.

He called the merger "a landmark in our strategy of expanding in all financial markets, particularly retail and the international

In a deal worked out in negotiations that went late into the day on Wednesday, Shearson will pay \$29.25 for each of Hutton's 34.2 million shares.

A year ago Shearson offered to buy Hutton for \$50 a share in a \$1.6 billion buyout. Hutton rejected that offer as inadequate. It was reported seeking \$55 a share.

Since then the 84-year-old Hutton has struggled to stay independent, starved for capital and hurt by internal upheavals.

The October stocks crash. while not a source of massive losses for Hutton, was the final blow that drove it to find a suitor and further diminished the firm's

ment call for Shearson to purchase up to 28.1 million Hutton shares for cash under a tender offer commencing within a few days. The offer was expected to

substantial infusion of cash. The firm has been plagued with internal doubts about its future and fears of a crippling drop in its and, more recently, a federal credit rating.

son, Wall Street's fastest growing office. firm over the past 25 years, during one of the most challenging periods in the history of the financial community reflects the vulnerable to a takeover by a aggressive style of the firm assem- more profitable company that bled through 20 acquisitions since could use its network of brokers, it was founded in 1960.

#### Finns offer to sell Soviet oil to Israel

TEL AVIV (R) - Finland has offered to sell Israel some of the surplus crude oil it receives from the Soviet Union and the offer is being studied, a spokesman for the Israeli energy ministry said on Thursday.

Spokesman Avishai Amir told reporters the offer was made to Energy Minister Moshe Shahal, who returned home on Wednesday from a 10-day visit to Helsinki and other Scandinavian capitals.

"The Finns have special barter trade arrangements with the Soviet Union which have resulted in their having a great surplus of Soviet-supplied crude oil on their hands," Amir sair.

"They offered to sell this oil to us and we are interested in principle in purchases on a spot-market basis. The question will now be studied," he said.

Israel receives about 70 per cent of its oil supplies from Egypt, Norway and Mexico under long-term arrangements and the rest from spot market

#### Hutton's New York office. He said traders were told to close off GATT averts their positions between now and February and cease other activibudget crisis The Shearson-Hutton

GENEVA (AP) - A budget announcement said the merger crisis in the administration of the unanimously by directors of both General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) has been averted at least until early next year following a late payment pledge by the United States, the billion and would manage assets free trade agency's director general said Thursday.

Washington has recently confirmed it will pay 3 million Swiss francs (\$2.2 million) owed for last year and part of its 9.5-millionfranc (\$7 million) assessment for 1987, GATT Director General Arthur Dunkel said. In addition, Canada promised an advance of 2.9 million francs (\$2.1 million)

on its 1988 contribution. Mr. Dunkel did not specify how much of the United States intended to hand over for 1987.

GATT now appears to have enough money to operate into early 1988 without having to consider taking up bank loans, he told delegates to the annual meeting of GATT contracting parties, or members. But the latest announced contributions will still leave arrears on 1987 and previous budget years of 23 million francs (\$17 million), he said.

The 95-nation (GATT) has been organising the latest round of world trade liberalisation talks since last year. Mr. Dunkel last month announced a 1988 budget of 61.5 million francs (\$45.6 million), up 08 per cent from this

Meanwhile, a GATT probe was launched Thursday to determine whether slaughterhouse standards in the 12 nations of the European Community (EC) are blocking U.S. meat imports.

#### rate cuts faded and Wall Street stocks closed at their lowest since "Black Monday" on Oct. 19.

Impact of interest rate cuts

fades; dollar remains weak

Investors sought to sell the itself," one French share dealer dollar after the United States and Japan showed little sign of re-Doubts about U.S. policy were sponding to Thursday's European fuelled on Friday when Mr. Louis bid to stabilise it by cutting in-Laun, assistant secretary of comterest rates, dealers said. merce for international economic "People are very dispolicy, said exchange rate adjustappointed," said the treasurer of ment is now the principal tool big foreign bank in Frankfurt. used by industrial nations to re-

LONDON (Agencies) — The dollar and stocks fell in Asia and Europe on Friday after the impact on

financial markets of a round of European interest

Dealers also said the market felt duce huge trade imbalances. there was a lack of coordination Analysts said this comment was between industrial nations. "'The in contrast to Mr. Lawson's view marketh is disappointed that the that a commitment to currency U.S. financial markets failed to stability was critical.

Mr. Lawson said: "If there react positively to key interest rate cuts in Europe," a Dutch share dealer said. "I think we are cannot be that commitment on everybody's part, and that means going to see the market falling particularly the U.S., then ... I more as the day goes on." see little point in holding a G-7 The dollar opened at 1.6570 meeting at all."

West German marks in London Adding to the gloom, official against a close of 1.6625 in New statements and statistics from York. It was 132.35 Japanese yen Tokyo suggested that Japan was after 132.75 in New York. in no hurry to take any further Gold eased and was fixed in measures to stimulate its eco-London at \$485.75 an ounce com-

pared to a previous fix of \$491.10.

three marks, dealers said. For the

last few months, the bank has

been defending the three mark

level, and with it, British exports'

points or nearly four per cent on

Asian markets declined steeply

Investors are afraid that the

dollar may take further falls — it

hit historic quoted lows on Mon-

day of 1.6315 marks and 131.90

ven - which would hurt com-

James Baker has made clear that

he will not risk a U.S. recession

by raising U.S. interest rates to

defend the dollar. Also, a weaker

dollar helps narrow the huge

trade deficit being run by the

export to the United States.

flagging world economy.

ise currencies.

United States.

on Friday. Other European mar-

kets also opened lower with

Zurich down 2.3 per cent.

competitiveness.

Thursday.

nomy or steady the dollar. Japanese Finance Minister The Bank of England stepped Kiichi Miyazawa said Japan has again into the open market to sell no plans to introduce any new sterling and stop it rising above

monetary or fiscal measures. The dollar fell to a 131.85 yen low, as news of a two per cent rise in Japanese gross national product for the third quarter boosted

the yen. British share prices were a Some had speculated strong sharp 1.33 per cent lower at the growth in Japan might help the opening and French shares were dollar, as it could boost demand down 4.08 per cent at the end of for U.S. exports by Japan. But it also makes the prospect of a the morning after the Wall Street blue-chip barometer, the Dow Japanese interest rate cut more Jones industrial average shed 72

The Nikkei 225-share price index lost 205.41 points, or 0.9 per cent, to close at 22,602.75. Hong Kong share prices fell on

the dollar's weakness and Wall Street's decline, brokers there said. The Hang Seng index shed 63.21 points to 1,994.2.

The Sydney share market also closed lower on Wall Street's decline, with the key Sydney panies around the world which: Share Index shedding 40.4 points to 1,245.8.

Markets are also less sure that London's blue-chip Financial there will be a meeting of the Times Stock Exchange index of Group of Seven (G-7) industrial 100 key shares was 1,575.4 at nations to stabilise the dollar and 1100 GMT compared with an take other action to accelerate a opening of 1,567.2 and a close of 1.588.4.

British Chancellor of the Ex-The decision by several Eurochequer Nigel Lawson said on pean countries to cut interest Thursday the key task for the G-7 rates received scant applause was to reach a new pact to stabilfrom U.S. economists and even President Ronald Reagan sound-But U.S. Treasury Secretary ed disappointed.

The moves Thursday, which dropped a key West German lending rate to its lowest postwar level, were designed to boost economic growth in the wake of the October stock market collapse but left some observers wanting even more.

"The U.S. congratulated the Europeans but now it has to act "They are a step in the right

direction, but I'm not standing up and cheering yet." said economist Allen Sinai of the investment firm Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc.

President Reagan suggested in an interview with four U.S. television networks Thursday that the rate reductions had actually made matters worse by hurting the dollar.

The president's remarks were later corrected by White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater, and the dollar briefly rallied on the news of the rate cuts.

President Reagan's own treasurv secretary. Mr. James Baker. had said earlier in the day that he was "delighted" by the European

Mr. Robert Brusca, chief economist for Nikko Securities Co. International in New York, also responded with glee.

"I don't care what the market says. ...the instant analysis is that this was the bare minimum we could expect from the Bundesbank (the West German central bank). ...but that's just plain wrong," he said.

Yet, the overall lack of applause seemed deafening. Mr. Sinai said that at some point "the string will run out on how much lower our trading partners can go on interest rates."

The rate cuts were led by West Germany's central bank, which reduced its discount rate one-halfpercentage point to 2.5 per cent. The cut left the Bundesbank's key rate, charged on loans to other banks, at its lower level since World War II, West German officials said.
The central banks of England,

France, The Netherlands. Austria, Switzerland and Belgium followed by lowering key interest rates. The moves also reflected worries that a weaker dollar could cut into European imports, analysts said.

But concerns persist that more emergency treatment will be needed to settle the ailing markets and avert a recession.

"It's a band-aid action postponing our (economic) disaster until the end of 1989," said Mr. Ravi Batra, professor of international economics at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas, and best-selling author of "the Great Depression of 1990."

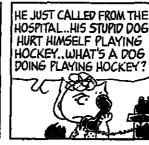
Mr. Batra said the rate cuts might alleviate economic problems temporarily, but he predicted the dollar's fall would resume after the U.S. presidential election in 1988.

Mr. Baker had pressed the Europeans for the stimulative measures to help ease the U.S. trade deficit and relieve the upward pressure on U.S. interest rates — two of the simmering problems behind the stock market's \$500 billion collapse.

In return, the United States would provide decisive action to cut the federal budget deficit. which had pushed interest rates up in the first place.

#### **Peanuts**









#### Mutt'n' Jeff

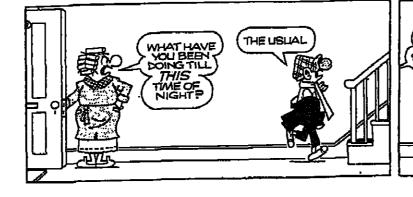






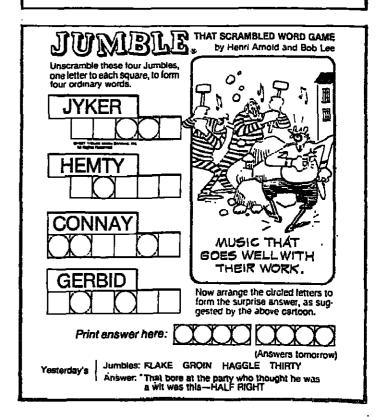


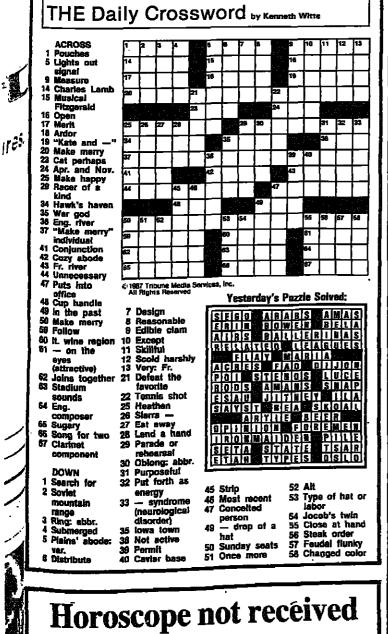
#### **Andy Capp**











## Kampuchean rivals sign outline of peace plan

FERE-EN-TARDENOIS, France (R) — Kampuchsan resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk and Vietnamese-backed Prime Minister Hun Sen signed a four-point agreement on Friday aimed at accelerating efforts to end Kampuchea's civil war.

ners in Prince Sihanouk's tripartite guerrilla alliance, to join political negotiations to end nine years of guerrilla warfare.

It said Communist and non-Communist factions, whether pro-Vietnamese, pro-Chinese, or pro-Western, must get together immediately to build a new democratic, independent Kamouchea.

A text of the agreement was distributed to journalists.

It was the first signal from Phnom Penh's Soviet-backed, Vietnamese-installed government that it is ready to negotiate with the Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge ousted by Vietnam in 1978 and blamed for hundreds of thousands of deaths.

In an indication that the meeting in a luxury hotel in eastern France marked a major breakthrough in the Kampuchean stalemate, the two opponents said they would meet here again in January, three months earlier than originally scheduled.

WASHINGTON (AP) - A con-

gressional committee has unani-

mously approved a resolution

supporting the broad goals of

President Ronald Reagan's "Star

Wars" programme.
The resolution, prompted by

next week's U.S.-Soviet summit,

was passed Thursday by the Sen-

ate Appropriations Committee as

it approved a pair of bills approp-

riating money for foreign aid and

by senators with a wide range of

views on Star Wars, known for-

SANTIAGO (R) - A Chilean

army colonel kidnapped by leftist

guerrillas three months ago re-

turned home aboard the presi-

dent's private jet after his abduc-

Col. Carlos Carreno was im-

mediately whisked away aboard a

military helicopter to an army

Col. Carreno was freed in Sao

Paulo, Brazil, on Wednesday

night after his family distributed a

ransom of \$50,000 in food.

clothes and building materials to

13 Santiago slums last week.

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tors freed him in Brazil.

The measure was co-sponsored

the Defence Department.

Senate panel unanimously

backs broad goals of SDI

The accord calls on the other statement, was celebrated with two parties to the conflict, part- champagne in an upstairs room of the 13th century converted castle where the former monarch has been meeting the 36-year-old Phnom Penh premier.

The agreement said that after "a historic meeting" the two sides had agreed that: The Kampuchean conflict

must be resolved politically, The Kampuchean problem must be settled by the Kampuchean people through negotiations between all parties to the conflict to halt bloodshed and rebuild an independent, sovereign and non-aligned country.

— As soon as an agreement emerges between the Kampuchean parties, an international conference will be called to guarantee Kampuchea's independence as well as peace and stability in South East Asia.

— The two parties agree to meet again in January 1988 at Fere-En-Tardenois.

The statement said the two nan originally scheduled. men would hold a third meeting
The accord, entitled a joint in the North Korean capital of

sponsors were Republican Sen.

James McClure, a strong suppor-ter of the programme, and Sen.

William Proxmire, an opposition

Democrat and equally vocal

The resolution said SDI

"should be a long-term and

robust research programme to

provide the United States with

expanded options for responding

to a Soviet breakout from the

1972 anti-ballistic missile treaty

and to respond to other future

Soviet arms initiatives that might

Pyongyang at an unspecified

13 die in

Rwanda

plane crash

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — A

private plane carrying 13 people.

including 11 American tourists,

crashed in a mountainous area of

north western Rwanda killing all

The Cessna 404 propeller-

driven aircraft was on a flight

from Goma, Zaire, to Nairobi

when it crashed Thursday after-

noon near the village of Kanama.

aboard, a Kenyan pilot and a Zairois," a spokesman at the

U.S. embassy in Nairobi said.

John Ouma-Daniel, an execu-tive with Cooper Skybird Air Charters of Nairobi, which own-

ed the plane, said a group of

Americans chartered the aircraft

on Nov. 30 for a safari to Zaire.

He said the plane was due back

"There were 13 people aboard

The victims names were not

Rwanda's government-owned

radio quoted witnesses as saying

the plane crashed into a tree and

the impact threw it against a hill

where the aircraft exploded in

named to U.N.

grievance body

UNITED NATIONS (R) - A

Romanian was recommended on

Thursday for appointment to a

U.N. staff grievance panel, de-

spite objections Romania itself

had violated rules by preventing a

U.N. official from returning to

Representatives of 20 countries

said they dissociated themselves

from a decision by the General

Assembly's Administrative and

Budgetary Committee recom-

mending that Ioan Voicu, a

Romanian nominated by the East

European group, be named to the seven-member U.N. Administra-

Western countries cited the

case of Liviu Bota, who was

summoned home to Bucharest in

November 1985 and prevented

from resuming his post as director

of the U.N. Institute for Dis-

armament Research (UNIDIR)

nmark, on behalf of the 12-nation

European Community; by New

Zealand, also on behalf of Au-

stralia and Canada; by Norway,

also on behalf of Sweden and

Iceland and by the United States

He was offered a new U.N.

contract at the end of 1986 but

was still barred from leaving

Romania, despite efforts by

Secretary General Javier Perez

assembly committee recom-

mended Mr. Voicu and Mr. Fran-

cisco Forteza of Uruguay to

three-year terms on the Adminis-

trative Tribunal beginning on

Acting without a vote, the

Objections were voiced by De-

his post in Geneva.

tive Tribunal.

and Japan.

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being released, pending notifica-

12 passengers and the pilot,

They all were killed."

Thursday.

tion of relatives.

Romanian

"There were II Americans

aboard, officials said Friday.

It added: "On the basis of this accord and in the supreme interest of the Kampuchean nation. the two parties invite the other Kampuchean parties to join them at the negotiating table in order to reach a rapid settlement."

The agreement made no reference to any timetable for the withdrawal of Vietnam's estimated 140,000 troops backing the Hun Sen administration against Prince Sihanouk's rebel forces.

After raising his glass to the prime minister, Prince Sihanouk said: "If we do not reach an agreement in 1988, it will be in 1989 and we will see each other in Phnom Penh."

The 65-year-old prince, looking relaxed and cheerful, said:
"We have attained concrete results, the door is open, but there is still quite a way to go before reaching our goal. Together we will get there.'

Prince Sihanouk reiterated that any lasting solution depended on Kampuchea becoming a par-liamentary democracy rid of ev-

ery last Vietnamese soldier. There has been no response however, from the Khmer Rouge, the most powerful faction in Prince Sihanouk's rebel coali-

#### Atlanta prison riot ends peacefully

ATLANTA (AP) — Freed hostages shook hands with former captors and then left a federal prison Friday, ending an 11-day uprising by Cuban inmates in a pact providing a moratorium on deportations of 3,500 Cuban detainees nationwide.

"Feels great," said former hos-tage Basil "Buddy" Levens, the first of the 89 hostages in line, as he moved toward his family.

The former hostages generally were in good shape and all declined medical treatment at a hospital, said Justice Department spokesman Tom Stewart.

Levens, a 44-year-old hospital administrator, walked out shortly after 1 a.m. (0600 GMT). Å cheer went up from waiting relatives and others who had been at the U.S. penitentiary throughout the siege, one of the longest in U.S. prison history.

The hostages, all prison workers, stepped into vans for a short trip to the warden's residence, tearful reunions and debriefings by the FBI.

"I feel very proud for my people," said Maria Herren, wife of a detainee. "They didn't hurt them, and I hope that those wives and those families over there that they already have their families, pray for us now."

Hostages said they were well treated by their captives.

"They were very good to us," Ellison McKnight said. "There was a time when I thought that this is it. ...(but) they wanted to make sure we stayed alive. They knew that if we stayed alive, they stayed alive."

Freedom came after Cuban detainee representatives and government negotiators signed an eight-point agreement that includes an indefinite moratorium on the return of any of the Cubans who arrived during the 1980 boatlift from the Cuban port of Mariel.

The two-page agreement is similar to one that ended the siege by Cuban inmates in Louisiana on Sunday.

Both grant permission for some inmates to go to any third country willing to accept them. They also guarantee medical treatment for inmates who need it and grant immunity from prosecution for damage at the prisons during the

rioting. Only the Atlanta agreement mentions U.S. Attorney General Edwin Meese III's proposed moratorium on deportations.

Six representatives of the 1,105 Cuban detainees and federal government negotiators signed the pact in a ceremony broadcast nationally. Attending were Auxiliary

Bishop Agustin Roman, a Cuban-born priest who was instrumental in ending the Oakdale, Louisiana, uprising, and Gary Leshaw, a lawyer who read the pact before it was signed.

tives to the election board.

Muslims hold first conference in China

Pakistan gathered in Peking on Friday to lecture Chinese believers for the first time under Communist rule — but said they aimed to avoid breaking China's ideological ban on foreign missionaries.

Religious leaders from Egypt, Ghana, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Sudan and Turkey met repre-sentatives of China's 35 million Muslims on the opening day of an Islamic gathering for preachers and preaching, organised by the Muslim World League.

League Secretary-General Abdullah Omar Naseef said in an opening address to 100 Chinese believers that Muslims could only regain their former supremacy in the world by adhering to the tenets of Islam.

"Islam has set down the basic rules of economics and politics that Muslims should adhere to," the Saudi Arabian said.

Officials of the Saudi Arabiabased league said the four-day conference was its first such meeting in a Communist country and the climax of China's thawing attitude to Islam.

Muslims were harshly perse-cuted during the country's Cultural Revolution from 1966-76. Saudi Arabia, which has pro-

vided the largest visiting contingent, has no diplomatic relations with China.

But the Muslim group has provided Chinese believers with

PEKING (R) — Muslims from books, foreign scholarships, aid the Middle East, Africa and for Mecca-bound pilgrims and

cash to build mosques since 1979. Mr. Naseef said there was "some sensitivity" in China over the conference, which Middle Eastern media earlier this week said would focus on missionary work and discuss studies by Islamic scholars.

Officials of China's Islamic Association said on Friday the "missionary" description was in-

"We receive help from Saudi Arabia and other countries, but we propagate Islam ourselves," said one. "We are not allowed to have foreign missionaries."

Kuwaiti Muslims provided

\$175,000 for the building of a mosque opened in the port city of Qinhuangdao last month. China's Islamic Association,

along with other state-sponsored religious bodies, urges its mem-bers to support Communist Party

Islam spread from the Middle East into China more than 1,000 years ago. Most present-day adherents belong to ethnic minorities in the north and west of the

Saudi organisers said the conference posed problems of communication, with most Chinese delegates able to read but not speak Arabic.

China now encourages links between its official Christian churches and foreign religious

#### Sri Lankan deputy says Indians attacked civilians

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP) --A curfew clamped on Batticaloa district following a wave of civilian deaths was lifted Friday morning, while an opposition parliament member charged that Indian soldiers had deliberately killed more than 40 civilians in the eastern district.

An Indian diplomat in Colombo and the Foreign Ministry in New Delhi denied any civilians were deliberately killed, saying Indian troops only fired back at Tamil rebels who attacked them.

Sri Lankan parliament member Haleen Ashak said Friday that Indian troops attacked the neigh-bouring villages of Otamawadi and Thiyaveddan and shot passengers on a bus on Thursday in revenge for the deaths of nine killed.

Indian soldiers in an ambush by Tamil rebels a day earlier. He maintained that more than

40 people were killed by Indian soldiers. Ashak, a member of the opposition Freedom Party, is a Muslim, as were many of those killed in the villages south of the city of Batticaloa.

A spokeswoman for the Indian High Commission said Thursday that 24 people had been killed but insisted they were caught in an exchange of mortar fire between Indian soldiers and Sri Lankan Tamil rebels.

There was confusion over the death toll - with Sri Lankan military officials and Tamil residents saying at least 32 were

#### **Police stop Sikhs from** marching to New Delhi

(R) — Police stopped 2,000 re-bellious Sikhs from marching to New Delhi to press demands for political concessions in the strifetorn northern state of Punjab.

The Sikh leaders and their supporters assembled outside a temple in the Sikh pilgrimage town of Fatehgarh Sahib, 50 kilometres from the Punjab state capital Chandigarh, but police and magistrates said the march had been banned.

Sikh leaders want a political settlement in Punjab which has been ruled directly by New Delhi since last May when Prime Minister

avoid further violence against vo-

ters. Soldiers and machete-wield-

ing thugs killed 34 people and

wounded 75, many of whom were

standing in line at polling sta-

the council, saying it had over-

stepped its constitutional bounds.

The government said new elec-

tions would be held once mem-

bers to the second electoral board

approve the arbitrary and illegal

decree of Nov. 29, nor the mas-

sacre of Nov. 29 which served as a

prelude to the decree," said a

coalition of human rights groups

in rejecting the government's

plans to name Electoral Council.

Haiti's constitution requires the

original Electoral Council to be in

charge of the election process

until a new government is instal-

led on Feb. 7, the second

The human rights groups said

"We cannot be expected to

are named.

The government then dissolved

FATEHGARH SAHIB, India Rajiv Gandhi sacked a moderate Sikh government on the grounds it had failed to contain growing .violence.

They also want freedom for Sikhs detained on national security grounds and rehabilitation for dismissed Sikh soldiers who mutined after the 1984 Indian army assault on the Golden Temple in Amritsar, the Sikhs' holiest shrine.

Prakash Singh Badal, a former Puniab chief minister who was freed from detention two days ago, told reporters: "What other avenues are open to use if the peaceful march is bad?"

#### Jan. 1, 1988. Haiti names committee to probe violence

(Agencies) — Threats of a general strike and revolution have not swayed the ruling junta from its plans to name a new Electoral Council and make a second try at national elections, a government source said.

The government, in a televised announcement Thursday night, named a six-member committee to investigate the violence that caused the cancellation of Haiti's first free elections in 30 years.

Claude, meanwhile, called for a general strike starting Friday to protest the junta's dissolution of the first Electoral Council. There were no immediate signs the call

The government source said the junta would pick new Electoral Council members if the Roman Catholic Church, the Protestant Federation, human rights groups and other civic organisations did

"Naming new representatives is not the intention of the government, but according to the constitution, if institutions don't respond it is up to the government to select the council," said the government source, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The civilian groups failed to meet a government-set deadline of midnight Thursday (0500 GMT Friday) to name new representa-

The first Electoral Council the Cuban and American flags. stopped the Nov. 29 national tide, a popular Roman Catholic priest, on Thursday called for a 'real revolution" to oust the iunta.

"Elections are not possible with this criminal government. which wants rigged elections to put a Macoute in office," Rev. Aristide said

Rev. Aristide was referring to the Tontons Macoute, the Duvaliers' dreaded private militia.

Mr. Claude told reporters Thursday that the general strike was "to continue until the departure of the junta."

"If the junta does not resign, we ask for the intervention of a multinational observer force to supervise elections and guarantee security. I just want people not to be killed anymore," Mr. Claude said.

There were, however, no long lines at supermarkets or gas stations to indicate that people were hoarding supplies for a long The Association of Public Em-

ployees, which represents many of the country's 70,000 public employees, called for a general, open-ended strike to begin Monday.

The Reagan administration has not considered intervening in Haiti following the cancellation of the elections amid widespread violence, the White House said on Wednesday.

Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the United States was watching the situation closely.

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#### Prisoner fails in pool ploy

LOS ANGELES (R) — A prisoner escaped from a Los Angeles courthouse, stripped down to his undershorts and jumped into a nearby hotel swimming pool. When police arrived, the prisoner, Dennis Westerlund, shouted from the pool: "He went that way, officer." "He might have got away with it — if he had escaped in the summertime." Police Lieutenant Joe Valento said on Wednesday. "He was the only one in the pool." Westerlund, accused of robbery, was ordered out of the pool and taken into

#### 2 years work needed on the 'Last Supper'

MILAN, Italy (R) - Restorers of Leonardo Da Vinci's masterpiece "the last supper" said on Thursday that it would take at least two years to complete their work on the 15th century fresco. Pinin Baccillon Brambilla, in charge of the job which started last May, told journalists the restoration would be definitive and remove all additions made to the fresco by previous artists and restorers. Only 15 visitors at a time are allowed to enter the former monastic refectory in Milan's Santa Maria Delle Grazie Church where the masterpiece is housed. Brambilla said parts of the fresco had been irretrievably damaged because of dust. temperature changes and vibrations from traffic.

#### Eyes secrete pencil-erasing substance

PEKING (R) — Chinese doctors are treating a 10-year-old girl whose eyes secrete a substance that will rub out pencil marks, the New China News Agency reported. The rubber-like substance appears to be a kind of polymer and leaves a grey granulated deposit on the girl's eyelids, it quoted doctors in west China's Xinjiang province as saying. Only two similar cases have been discovered in China. Both were 10-year-old girls, the agency said.

#### Cashew nut to boost space programme

NEW DELHI (R) — Indian scientists think cashew nuts belong in orbit. Minister of State for Science and Technology K.R. Narayanan told parliament a heat-resistant resin, based on liquid extracted from cashew nut shells, can be used a heat shield for spacecraft. Narayanan said the resin was developed by the Regional Research Laboratory in the southern state of Kerala, India's largest cashew nut producer.

#### Works by Le Corbusier get high prices

LONDON (AP) — Art works by the architect and city planner Le Corbusier, who died in 1966, sold for unexpectedly high prices at auction in London. Sotheby's said it sold 31 of 35 offered paintings, drawings, collages and sculpture for a total £1,597,310 (\$2.89) million, most going well above estimates. The seller was a foundation established by the artist's estate after his death in 1965. The top price, paid by a European private buyer, was £390,500 (\$710,700) for "the Guitar and the Model" (La Guitare Et Le Monagaria) of 1007. A Japanese dealer identified only as Et Le Mannequin) of 1927. A Japanese dealer identified only as Mono Art bought a painting for £110,000 (\$199,100) and a wood sculpture for £48,400 (\$87,600). Le Corbusier was born Charles-Edouard Jeanneret in Switzerland in 1887 and became a French citizen in 1930. Heidi Weber, his wife, wrote in the sale catalogue that her husband started painting in 1918 to 1919. From 1928 onward he used the signature "Le Corbusier," the name of one of his grandfathers. Most of the works sold were in a semi-cubist style, depicting people, animals and objects in a manner strongly influenced by the style of the French artist Fernand Leger.

#### Einstein manuscript sells for \$1.1m

NEW YORK (R) — The earliest surviving version of Einstein's theory of relativity?" was sold at auction at Sotheby's for \$1,155,000, the highest price ever paid for a manuscript in America. The 72-page handwritten manuscript was written in 1912 and lists his famous E=MC squared equation with an extra algebraic constant that was crossed out. A Sotheby's spokeswoman said the manuscript, given by Einstein to friends, was bought by a private dealer for an anonymous client. It had been expected to fetch about \$700,000. The name of the seller was withheld by Sotheby's. Einstein published his most famous theory in 1915. In it, he postulated a constant velocity for light (C) and its consequence, the eqivalence of mass (M) and energy (E). In the version sold at Sotheby's, the equation E=MC squared is listed as EL=MC squared with the 'L," an extra algebraic constant, crossed out. The early version was written for a series of scientific articles being published by a German professor, but the series was never printed because of World War I. The version survived because Einstein had given it to friends as a gift. Usually he discarded his manuscripts once they were published. The world record price for a manuscript was the \$11.8 million paid in 1983 for the "Gospels of Henry the Lion," which was sold in London.

#### Queen's nephew gets 2nd driving ban

BRENTFORD, England (AP) — Viscount Linley, a nephew of Queen Elizabeth II, has pleaded guilty to speeding at 110 miles an hour (176 kph) and got his second driving ban in two months. The 26-year-old custom furniture designer, who is the son of Princess Margaret, the queen's sister, was the first royal family member to be disqualified from driving. Linley, who is 10th in line to the throne, lost his licence for six months on Sept. 21 and was fined £100 (then \$165) for driving 98 mph (157 kph) on a highway outside London on June 10. Three days before that court appearance, he was stopped on a highway in Bedfordshire north of London for doing 100 mph (176 kph). The highway speed limit is 70 mph (112 kph). The Brentford magistrates court on Thursday disqualified him for five months for the second offence but made the bans concurrent, meaning Linley can get his licence back on May 4. He was also fined £300 (\$546) and ordered to pay £15 (\$27) in prosecution costs. His attorney, Michael Sullivan, had argued against a second ban, saying the first "has had the intended effect." "Viscount Linley very much regrets the commission of the offence. He wishes to apologise to the court and the police for the inconvenience that has been caused," the attorney said. Sullivan also defended Princess Anne's husband, Mark Phillips when he escaped a ban for driving at more than 100 miles an hour (160 kph).

#### Court asked whether ex-queen can enter Italy

ROME (AP) — The Italian government has asked for a court opinion on whether the widow of the last king of Italy can return to the country after a 41-year exile imposed by the constitution, officials have said. Ex-Queen Maria Jose, who lives in Switzerland, has written several letters asking to visit the country. Premier Giovanni Goria's office in turn asked the Council of State, an administrative court, for an opinion. Italian news agencies said the court will take up the case on Dec. 10. The opinion is not binding, and the government has not said what it would do should the court say the ex-queen can return for a visit. The constitution says "former kings of the House of Savoy, their wives and their male descendants may not enter or remain in Italian territory." Some constitutional experts say the clause is no longer valid since her husband, Umberto II, died four years ago. Umberto reigned for 26 days before being forced into exile in 1946 after a referendum abolished the monarchy. He died in Geneva, Switzerland, of bone cancer at the age of 78.

#### you Lola. 978 \$'A109 \AQ9852 472 The bidding has proceeded: North East South West 2 · Pass 1 T 3 C What action do you take?

A.--if you could be sure that you and a second heart stopper or that one of your suits would run, you might venture three no trump. tiere, however, you cannot be cercam your side has a game, so take the sure profit by punishing the oppurcuity Double.

Q.S-Neither vulnerable, as South 4. EQ1063 **∂J982 ₽KQ**? The bidding has proceeded: Forth East South

"hat on you bid now? a.--or nously, the choice lies between an immediate cue-bid or some spade bid. We prefer an im-Herlinto jump to two spades. The trouble with a cue-bid now is you might not have enough room later convince partner of the quality

returns home from Brazil The kidnapping ended when Col. Carreno's captors put him in a taxi and asked the driver to take him to the offices of the Estado De Sao Paulo newspaper in

Brazil. President Augusto Pinochet on Thursday renewed the Chilean government's emergency powers, giving him the right to restrict freedom of movement, assembly and information for another 90 days. The powers have been in force virtually without interruption since the military seized pow-

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ANSWERS TO WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ

of your spades. You can always Q.1-As South, vulnerable, you cue-bid hearts later. ♦AQJ63 ♥K1052 ♦9 \$874 Q.4-As South, vulnerable, you The morning has proceeded: North East South West

♥AJ7 082 \$AKJ1063 The bidding has proceeded:

East South West North

1 ♥ 2 ♠ Pass 3 ♠

Pass ? What action do you take? A .- There is a strong temptation to bid three no trump. However,

even if that is the right final contract, it is by no means sure that you should declare it. We would much prefer a bid of three hearts, advising partner of our intentions and allowing him to convert to three no trump if he has both unbid suits stopped.

Q.5-Neither vulnerable, as South vou hold: 4AKQ52 7KJ6 0A83 462 The bidding has proceeded: South West North East Pass 3 + Pass

What do you bid now? A .- The reply depends on your methods. If you play limit raises, your hand is worth four spades and no more. If you play forcing jump raises, you could be in slam territory, and the way to investigate is with a cue-bid of four

Q.6-As South, vuinerable, you **±AQJ954** ♥9 ○K103 **±**AQ8 The bidding has proceeded: West North East Pass 2 🛨 Pass

What do you bid now? A .- You have to decide whether to support partner's suit or to stress

the quality of your hand and your spades. We would jump to three One of the inmates sitting at spades, which conveys to partner the table had wrapped himself in both ports of this latter message.

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Presidential candidate Sylvio

attracted great support.

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anniversary of Dictator Jean-Claude "Baby Doc" Duvalier's flight to exile in France. Duvalier and his father, Francois "Papa Doc" Duvalier, ruled

the nation for 29 years.

Louis Roy, one of the key drafters of the constitution approved overwhelmingly in a referendum this year, said the government misinterpreted constitutional guarantees of an in-dependent Electoral Council.

The Rev. Jean Bertrand Aris-